

Biographies

John G. Walsh Chief of Staff and Public Affairs

John Walsh became Chief of Staff and Public Affairs for the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), on October 17, 2005.

In this role, Mr. Walsh serves as the Comptroller of the Currency's senior advisor on all matters, represents the Comptroller in internal and external meetings and events, provides expert policy advice, and oversees the agency's Public Affairs, Congressional Liaison, Banking Relations, Program Analysis, and Leadership, Learning and Workplace Fairness functions.

Mr. Walsh joined the OCC from the Group of 30, a consultative group that focuses on international economic and monetary affairs. He joined the Group in 1992, and became executive director in 1995. Mr. Walsh served on the Senate Banking Committee from 1986 to 1992 and as an international economist for the U.S. Department of the Treasury from 1984 to 1986. Mr. Walsh also served with the Office of Management and Budget as an international program analyst, with the Mutual Broadcasting System and in the U.S. Peace Corps in Ghana.

Mr. Walsh is treasurer of the Baraka School, an international educational program designed to provide a cross-cultural educational experience in Kenya to American inner-city youth. The school is the subject of the award-winning 2005 documentary "The Boys of Baraka" (http://lokifilms.com/site/index.html).

Mr. Walsh holds a master's in Public Policy from the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (1978) and graduated magna cum laude from the University of Notre Dame in 1973. He is a resident of Catonsville, Maryland, where he lives with his wife and four children.

