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OCC Names New Deputy Comptroller for Public Affairs

WASHINGTON, DC -- The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) today said that Mary McCue will be the agency's new deputy comptroller for Public Affairs, effective July 20, 1998. Ms. McCue succeeds Leonora S. Cross, who retired in March after 18 years with the OCC to pursue private interests.

As deputy comptroller, Ms. McCue will provide public affairs advice and counsel to the Comptroller and oversee the Communications and Press Relations divisions. The two divisions are responsible for all communications with the news media, OCC publications, management of the OCC's Internet web site, responses to requests under the Freedom of Information Act, and the agency's internal communications program. Ms. McCue will report to the Senior Deputy Comptroller for Public Affairs.

Since 1991, Ms. McCue has been a director, corporate practice, in the Washington, DC office of Burson-Marsteller, a public relations firm, where she advised clients on investor and media relations and communications in a crisis. From 1984 to 1991, she was director of public affairs at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Before joining the SEC, she was director, assistant vice president, and vice president of corporate communications at CS First Boston (then The First Boston Corporation), an investment banking firm. Her previous experience also includes serving as a public information officer for the City of New York (1972-1975) and public relations manager for the Foster Parents Plan (1969-1972).

Ms. McCue received a B.S. from Boston University School of Communications in 1969.

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