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**Acting Comptroller Julie Williams Welcomes John D. Hawke, Jr.  
As New Comptroller of the Currency**

Acting Comptroller of the Currency Julie L. Williams issued the following statement today:

I couldn't be more pleased to welcome [Jerry Hawke](#) to the OCC. He brings us a wealth of knowledge about the banking industry, both from his practical, hands-on experience as a banking attorney and from his distinguished government service, most recently as Under Secretary of the Treasury for Domestic Finance. He is also someone who cares deeply about the future of the national banking system and the OCC.

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The OCC charters, regulates and examines approximately 2,600 national banks and 66 federal branches of foreign banks in the U.S., accounting for more than 58 percent of the nation's banking assets. Its mission is to ensure a safe and sound and competitive national banking system that supports the citizens, communities and economy of the United States.