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### **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Banking Commissioner Names Jacqueline Willardson Houston Regional Director**

Texas Banking Commissioner Charles G. Cooper announced today the appointment of Jacqueline Willardson as Houston Regional Director of the Bank and Trust Supervision Division. The appointment is effective September 1.

As regional director, Ms. Willardson will be responsible for the bank supervisory activities of the Houston Regional Office and its 15 staff members. The region is home to 47 state-chartered banks that control approximately \$42.7 billion in banking assets and serve communities such as Beaumont, Bryan, College Station, Henderson, Houston, Pearland, and Texas City, among others.

Ms. Willardson, a native Houstonian, graduated from The University of Texas at Austin with a BBA in Finance. She first joined the Department in August 1983 as an Assistant Examiner and was promoted to Assistant Regional Director in April 1992. After a break in employment from the Department in 1999, she returned in July 2010 as a Senior Examiner stationed in the Houston Region.

Ms. Willardson is also a 1990 graduate of the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking (SWGSB) at Southern Methodist University, in Dallas. SWGSB is a three-year leadership development program for future leaders in the banking and financial services community.

“Our banks in the Houston Region play a very important role in our Texas economy,” said Commissioner Cooper. “I am very pleased to have such an experienced and dedicated bank regulator to lead our Houston office.”