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Banking Commissioner Names Jesse Garcia Jr. Chief Information Officer

Texas Banking Commissioner Charles G. Cooper announced today the appointment of Jesse H. Garcia Jr. as the Chief Information Officer (CIO). Effective October 1, 2023, Mr. Garcia will be responsible for the daily operations and future technological advancement plans of the Department's Information Technology Division. In this role, Mr. Garcia will ensure priorities and standards are implemented and applied appropriately to meet agency goals.

Mr. Garcia brings to the Department over 25 years of experience in state government, specifically in the areas of network management and technology and information security. He spent the previous nineteen years with the Texas Railroad Commission, first as a Network Specialist and later as Information Security Analyst. Prior to joining the Railroad Commission, Mr. Garcia served with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for three years as Network Manager.

A 1994 graduate of The University of Texas at Austin, where he majored in Studio Art/Photography, Mr. Garcia holds the industry accreditations of Certified Cloud Security Professional and Certified Information Systems Security Professional. In 2021, Mr. Garcia attended the Executive Leadership for Information Technology Excellence (ELITE) program, which is offered by the LBJ School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas and the Texas Department of Information Resources.

"I am confident that Mr. Garcia's information technology and security expertise will give the Department the ability to continue to improve our technology transformation strategy and create operational advances and efficiencies," Commissioner Cooper said. "I welcome him to our management team."