

Marie Johns Named Lead Director of Largest Black-Led Bank in the U.S.

Washington, D.C. – PPC-Leftwich CEO Marie Johns will be named the lead independent director of the merged City First Bank and Broadway Financial, which have agreed to combine to form the largest Black-led bank in the country with more than \$1 billion in assets.

Marie currently chairs the board of directors for City First, which is based in Washington, D.C. Marie served as deputy administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) during the Obama administration. She has been a leader in business, civic, and government service for more than 30 years.

Marie serves as CEO of PPC-Leftwich, a consulting firm established in 2019 in partnership with the law firm Parker Poe. PPC-Leftwich offers a range of consulting services to help organizations increase their effectiveness, including management consulting, public affairs strategy, small business advisory services, and executive coaching. Its clients include Fortune 500 companies, small businesses, government entities, nonprofits, associations, and educational institutions.

About PPC-Leftwich

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