

PNC Bank Appoints Leadership Team For New Houston Market

HOUSTON, July 17, 2018 – [PNC Bank, N.A.](#) today announced appointments for the local leadership team in its new Houston region, led by Julie Young Sudduth, who will serve as the regional president, effective July 17. Joining Sudduth are Christian Brown, head of Corporate Banking for the Houston market, and Thomas Byargeon, who leads PNC's Energy Group.

Last July, the company announced expansion plans to introduce its regional leadership model to Houston, a market where PNC's Corporate & Institutional Banking already has a significant local presence including the Energy Group and PNC Business Credit, as well as employees in Retail Lending, Audit, Risk and Technology. The company also plans to add a client and community relations director in the market to deepen PNC's involvement and visibility in the region.

"We've already seen great success in Houston with our national businesses, and are optimistic about the opportunities this expansion will present for continued growth – both on business and civic fronts," said Louis R. Cestello, executive vice president and head of PNC's Regional Markets. "Julie is an experienced banker with deep roots in Houston, and she is joined by Christian and Tom who each add significant value with their combined industry expertise, making them the ideal team to lead PNC's efforts in the market."

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Sudduth comes to PNC from IBERIABANK (IBKC), where she most recently served as executive vice president, leading the syndications division. She was responsible for origination, structuring and distribution of all senior debt facilities arranged by IBKC, as well as creating and managing the special operations division. Sudduth was a member of IBKC's original management team to grow a denovo franchise in Texas.

Prior to that role, she served in multiple leadership positions at Amegy Bank (ZION) focused on syndications, corporate banking, special assets and credit risk management. Sudduth earned bachelor's degrees in Business Administration and Arts from Southern Methodist University, as well as an MBA from Rice University. She serves on the Board of Directors and is the finance and audit committee chairperson for Discovery Green Conservancy.

Brown joined PNC nearly 24 years ago and has held various leadership roles during this time with the company in both Corporate & Institutional Banking and Retail Banking. Most recently, he served as a managing director and senior relationship manager responsible for the development and growth of large corporate relationships in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. Brown earned a bachelor's degree in Economics from Miami University and MBA from Case Western Reserve University.

Byargeon joined PNC 5 years ago as managing director and head of PNC's Energy Group. Prior to joining PNC, he served as managing director and head of Upstream Oil and Gas for Credit Agricole in the U.S. In this role, he was responsible for lending and capital markets activities with upstream oil and gas clients. He was also instrumental in developing Credit Agricole's High Yield Capital Markets and Commodity Derivatives businesses in the sector. He has over 30 years of energy corporate and investment banking experience. Byargeon earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Stephen F. Austin State University. He serves on the board of directors of the Forge for Families and is a member of various energy industry organizations.

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