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## Bank of Nevada Hires Ernest Oon as Executive Vice President, Division Chief Credit Officer

LAS VEGAS - August 12, 2019 - Bank of Nevada is proud to welcome Ernest Oon as executive vice president, division chief credit officer.

In this position, Oon will be responsible for managing all credit-related issues for both Bank of Nevada and First Independent Bank, which operate in different parts of the state and are both divisions of Western Alliance Bank.

Oon is highly experienced in all aspects of credit administration, risk management, and oversight. He has worked in the banking industry for 30 years.

As the division chief credit officer, Oon is responsible for the evaluation of both Bank of Nevada and First Independent Bank's asset quality and loan growth, as well as risk analysis and management related to structured financial products.

"I am thrilled to have Ernest Oon join our team and bring his extensive credit management experience to Nevada," said John Guedry, CEO, Bank of Nevada and First Independent Bank. "With so many of our clients seeking to expand their business outside of Nevada as well as overseas, Oon's experience will be invaluable."

Prior to Bank of Nevada, Oon worked on the development and enhancement of credit administration processes among other initiatives for East West Bank, headquartered in Pasadena, Calif., which operates 130 locations worldwide.

Oon holds a Master of Business Administration degree from Pepperdine University, and a Bachelor of Business Administration Finance degree from California State University, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude.

### **About Bank of Nevada**

Bank of Nevada, a division of Western Alliance Bank, Member FDIC, helps business clients realize their growth ambitions. Founded in 1994, Bank of Nevada offers a full spectrum of loan, deposit and treasury management capabilities, plus superior service. With 10 offices in Las Vegas, Henderson, North Las Vegas and Mesquite, along with Western Alliance Bank's powerful array of specialized financial services, the banking division is a valued resource for Southern Nevada's business, real estate, professional, municipal and nonprofit communities. In a first among Nevada financial institutions, Bank of Nevada in 2018 earned the Community

Commitment Award for Financial Education from the American Bankers Association Foundation for its work with Title I schools through the Green Our Planet organization. Western Alliance Bank is the primary subsidiary of Phoenix-based Western Alliance Bancorporation. One of the country's top-performing banking companies, Western Alliance is ranked #1 regional bank by S&P Global Market Intelligence for 2018 and in the top 10 on the Forbes "Best Banks in America" list for four consecutive years, 2016-2019. For more information, visit [bankofnevada.com](http://bankofnevada.com).

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