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Ashley Waldron named secretary to the board

McLEAN, Va., Oct. 7, 2021 — Today the FCA board announced the selection of Ashley Waldron as secretary to the board. Dale Aultman, who has served as secretary to the board since November 2010, is retiring at the end of this month.

The secretary to the board serves as the parliamentarian for the board and keeps permanent and complete records of the acts and proceedings of the board. He or she ensures that the board complies with statutory, regulatory, and internal operation reporting requirements. The secretary to the board also serves as secretary to the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation board.

Since joining FCA more than 12 years ago, Ms. Waldron has served the Office of Examination with distinction. She earned her commission as an FCA examiner, graduated with honors from the Pacific Coast Banking School, completed the Office of Personnel Management's LEAD certificate program, and became a certified fraud examiner. Over the years, she served as examiner-in-charge for several institutions. She also trained many associate FCA examiners while working as a supervisor and as a training course instructor in the commissioning program.

For the past year and a half, Ms. Waldron has served as the Office of Examination's director of operations. This position is responsible for ensuring efficiency and effectiveness in the programs and operations of the Office of Examination. She also served for a while as chair of the special emphasis program HOLA-FCA.

"I am pleased to welcome Ashley to this important role at FCA," says FCA Board Chairman Glen Smith. "She has done excellent work in a variety of roles over the years, and I know she will be an asset to the board. I would also like to thank Dale for his 11 years of outstanding service as board secretary."

"Dale's unfailing professionalism and attention to detail made him a real asset to the board," says FCA Board Member Jeff Hall, who also serves as chairman of the FCSIC board. "I wish him well in his retirement. I also have every confidence in Ashley and look forward to working with her in her new role as secretary to the FCA and FCSIC boards."

Ms. Waldron graduated from the University of North Texas with a bachelor's degree in finance.

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The Farm Credit Administration is the safety and soundness regulator of the Farm Credit System. The System consists of two government-sponsored enterprises — a nationwide network of cooperative banks and associations established in 1916, and a secondary market entity known as the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (Farmer Mac), which was established in 1988. The System's borrower-owned banks and associations provide credit to farmers, ranchers, residents of rural communities, agricultural and rural utility cooperatives, and other eligible and creditworthy borrowers. Farmer Mac provides a secondary market for agricultural real estate loans, rural housing mortgage loans, and certain rural utility loans. FCA news releases are available on the web at www.fca.gov.