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Washington, D.C. – The Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS) has named Karen K. Lawson as executive vice president for policy and supervision.

In her new role, Lawson is a member of the CSBS executive leadership team and oversees the policy and supervision business unit. She will lead and coordinate CSBS's legislative, regulatory and bank/nonbank supervisory processes and be responsible for the development and implementation of policies and practices that help advance state financial regulation.

"Karen brings tremendous value and insight to the organization," said CSBS President and CEO Jim Cooper. "Not only does she have deep knowledge as a former state regulator, Karen has extensive experience in working with federal agency partners."

Lawson joined CSBS in July 2021 as senior vice president for policy with responsibility for coordinating public policy development and advocacy efforts. She recently served as the staff deputy to the state banking supervisor member of the Financial Stability Oversight Council.

Prior to joining CSBS staff, Lawson worked for the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services for over 25 years and led the agency's bank regulatory program for nine years. She served on the CSBS Board of Directors and chaired or served on a number of prominent CSBS committees. Karen was also an active member of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council as a member and chair of the State Liaison Committee representing state regulators on the Council.

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The Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS) is the national organization of bank regulators from all 50 states, American Samoa, District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands. State regulators supervise roughly three-quarters of all U.S. banks and a variety of non-depository financial services. CSBS, on behalf of state regulators, also operates the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System to license and register non-depository financial service providers in the mortgage, money services businesses, consumer finance and debt industries.