

**Blake Paulson**  
**Senior Deputy Comptroller and Chief Operating Officer**

Blake Paulson is the Senior Deputy Comptroller and Chief Operating Officer at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC).

In this role, Mr. Paulson oversees OCC bank supervision and OCC management operations as well as staff responsible for Systemic Risk Identification Support and Specialty Supervision, and Supervision System and Analytical Support. He serves as a member of the OCC's Executive Committee and was designated the Chief National Bank Examiner in April 2020. Mr. Paulson became the Chief Operating Officer in June 2020.

Prior to this role, Mr. Paulson was responsible for supervising nearly 1,100 national banks and federal savings associations, as well as nearly 1,600 OCC employees as Senior Deputy Comptroller for Midsize and Community Bank Supervision.

Mr. Paulson previously served as the Deputy Comptroller for the agency's Central District where he was responsible for the oversight of community banks and federal savings associations, independent data service providers and trust companies across the upper Midwest.

Before serving as Deputy Comptroller, Mr. Paulson served as Associate Deputy Comptroller in the Central District, where he oversaw nine field offices, and was an Assistant Deputy Comptroller for Midsize Bank Supervision where he was responsible for a portfolio of national banks with total assets between \$10 billion and \$30 billion.

Mr. Paulson joined the OCC in 1986 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and has since held a variety of positions throughout the Midwest supervising community, midsize, and large banks.

Mr. Paulson has a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of South Dakota.

