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TDECU Names Paul Watson as Chief Lending Officer



Pictured: Paul Watson, TDECU Chief Lending Officer

<u>TDECU</u> is continuing with its dedication to adding top talent to its leadership team by naming Paul Watson, a nearly 30-year veteran in the financial industry, as Chief Lending Officer.

Watson joins Houston's largest credit union from <u>VYSTAR Credit Union</u> in Jacksonville, FL, where he served as Vice President of Commercial Credit. In his new role, Watson will serve the credit union's 366,000 Members by enhancing and establishing procedures surrounding various lending activities. This includes ensuring equal access and opportunity to funds for TDECU's Members to navigate their financial journeys.

"I am honored to join TDECU and collaborate with other leaders to assure the overall success of the organization," said Watson. "I am passionate about creating life-changing opportunities for our Members and look forward to driving change across consumer, indirect, mortgage, and commercial lending functions."

"We look forward to Paul joining the TDECU team to help lead our efforts to ensure we have integrated and sustainable operations surrounding our lending policies," said TDECU Chief Banking Officer Jose Delgado. "I have no doubt that Watson will help us achieve our goal to be a top lender in Texas."

Watson has served in several positions within the financial industry over the last three decades, including as Vice President of Special Assets for Commercial Lending at Ameris Bank.

Watson graduated from Florida State University with a Bachelor of Science in Marketing and a minor in Psychology. He is a proud husband and a father of two daughters.

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