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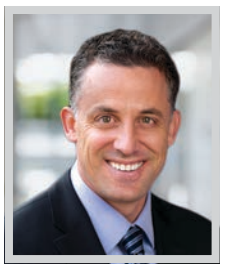
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TREVER ACERS

Managing Director
Objective, Investment Banking & Valuation

Trever Acers is the founder and managing director of Objective, Investment Banking & Valuation, a leading middle-market investment banking and valuation firm. With over 20 years of experience in investment banking, acquisitions, and strategic advisory, Acers has built a firm that consistently delivers exceptional M&A outcomes for business owners. He is a leader of the Investment Banking Group, specializing in sell-side M&A transactions.

Acers' career trajectory has been defined by his ability to grow businesses, build high-performing teams, and execute complex M&A transactions. Under his leadership, Objective has grown into an award-winning firm recognized for its strong deal execution and consistent M&A excellence.



CHRISTINE ALEXANDER

Senior Vice President; Private Banking Market Manager
California Bank & Trust

Christine Alexander is a distinguished financial services leader, who was recently promoted to senior vice president and private banking market manager for the Los Angeles and Coachella Valley markets at California Bank & Trust. Beginning as a bank teller in college, she has steadily progressed her career, with the last 20 years dedicated to the Private Banking and Wealth Management space.

Alexander was inducted into CB&T's President's Club, a recognition for top performers within the organization. She also helped to create a $70 million customized loan program, in partnership with CB&T's Los Angeles Commercial Bank team, through which she closed multi-million-dollar real estate financing transactions.



DEAN ALOE

Senior Vice President, Business Development
TMC Financing

Dean Aloe is one of Southern California's most accomplished small business finance professionals, bringing more than 35 years of banking and lending experience to the industry. As senior vice president of business development at TMC Financing, Aloe leads TeamLA and specializes in SBA 504 financing. He helps entrepreneurs secure long term capital to acquire, construct, renovate, and expand owner occupied commercial real estate.

Aloe has facilitated more than 1,700 SBA 504 projects totaling over $5.5 billion in commercial real estate financing. These projects have directly contributed to the creation or retention of approximately 30,000. His extensive banking, underwriting, and credit background enables him to structure complex transactions.



PETROS ALTUNYAN

Managing Director
Citizens Private Bank

Petros Altunyan is a managing director and relationship manager with Citizens Private Bank in Beverly Hills, serving high-net-worth individuals, families, business owners, and real estate investors. Throughout his career at leading financial institutions, including First Republic Bank and now Citizens Private Bank, he has built a reputation for delivering exceptional client service, strategic advice, and customized banking and lending solutions.

In his current role, Altunyan is responsible for developing and managing complex client relationships, providing tailored credit, deposit, and treasury solutions, and collaborating with wealth management professionals, attorneys, CPAs, and other advisors to help clients achieve their financial goals.

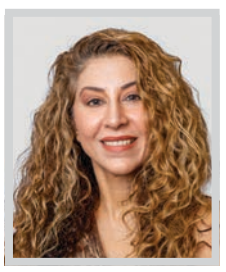


RAUL ANAYA

Greater Los Angeles Market President; National Head of Local Markets Strategy
Bank of America

Raul Anaya is a member of Bank of America's 26-person Executive Management team and the most senior executive in the Western US. He is head of Local Markets Strategy for the bank where he oversees the company's efforts to deliver its full capabilities and business strategies across its 97 US markets through BofA's unique Market President network and Local Markets Organization. He coordinates across eight lines of business to deliver for clients, employees, and communities.

In addition, Anaya continues to serve as president of Bank of America Los Angeles, where he helps to coordinate every line of business and leads local community investment initiatives, including philanthropy and community development lending and investing.

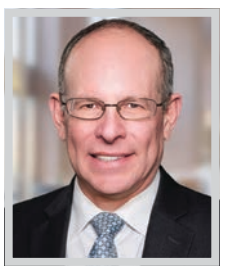


RANA AYYAD

First Vice President; Business Banking Team Lead-MLO
California Bank & Trust

Rana Ayyad is an accomplished financial services leader with over two decades of experience in business banking, credit underwriting, and relationship management. She began her banking career as a teller and advanced through roles of increasing responsibility at leading financial institutions, before joining California Bank & Trust in February 2020.

Ayyad leads and develops a team of business bankers and relationship managers serving clients throughout Orange County and Los Angeles County. She is responsible for driving new business growth, overseeing a commercial loan portfolio, ensuring sound credit and risk management practices, and fostering strong client relationships.



ROBERT BESSER

Market President; Commercial Bank Sales Leader, Southern California
KeyBank

Over a 30-year career spanning corporate, investment, commercial, and mortgage banking, Robert Besser has held increasingly senior leadership positions with Mizuho Bank, BNY, Truist Securities, KeyBanc Capital Markets, and KeyBank. In 2021, he joined KeyBanc Capital Markets to expand corporate and investment banking relationships in Southern California. He was selected in 2024 to lead KeyBank's commercial banking growth strategy in Southern California, helping establish and expand the bank's presence in the region.

Today, Besser leads KeyBank's Southern California Commercial Banking business, overseeing market strategy, business development, and a team of senior relationship managers and payments advisors.

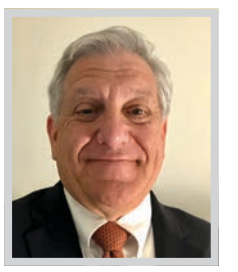


MALGY BLUE

Senior Vice President, Greater LA Branch; Small Business Banking Market Leader
U.S. Bank

Malgy Blue is a dynamic leader who has built his career from the front lines of banking to responsibility for one of the country's most important and diverse markets. Malgy began his banking career more than two decades ago, and progressed through positions of increasing responsibility encompassing consumer banking, business banking, credit card services and wealth management.

Malgy describes himself as a "field warrior," because he believes effective leadership requires being present in the branches and communities where employees and clients live and work. His current responsibilities include market execution, customer experience, small business growth, talent development and team culture. His career progression demonstrates his ability to inspire people.

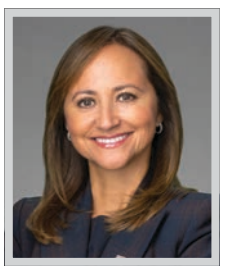


GREGORY BROWN

Chief Executive Officer
California Lithuanian Credit Union

Gregory Brown's career reflects more than 36 years of advancement, comprehensive banking knowledge, and people-centered executive leadership. He began his career as a part-time teller, gaining firsthand experience with the needs of customers and the responsibilities of frontline employees. He later progressed through increasingly senior positions until, and in December 2023, he became chief executive officer of California Lithuanian Credit Union.

As CEO, Brown is responsible for CLCU's strategic direction. Since assuming this role, he has strengthened cybersecurity, established a formal human-resources function, improved commercial-loan origination, enhanced operational controls, introduced new financial products, and steadily expanded the credit union's loan portfolio.



ELSA BURTON

Senior Vice President; Regional Manager Los Angeles, Middle Market Banking
Fifth Third Bank, National Association

Elsa R. Burton joined the Southern California leadership team of Fifth Third Bank in early 2022. Burton brings over 25 years of experience in the Los Angeles market. As a Los Angeles regional manager, she is responsible for building and leading a team of Middle Market bankers and driving growth in the greater Los Angeles area.

Burton is playing an integral part in growing Fifth Third in a crucial growth market for the company. Burton's leadership has become increasingly impactful as Fifth Third Bank has grown its presence in California through the acquisition of Comerica. She continues to drive market growth, deepen client relationships, and help businesses navigate opportunities ranging from organic expansion to acquisitions and ownership transitions.

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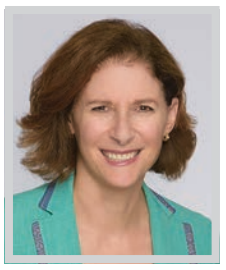
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SHERYL CEFALI

Managing Director
Duff & Phelps Opinions Practice of Kroll, LLC

Sherry Cefali is a managing director in the Duff & Phelps Opinions Practice of Kroll, LLC. In addition, Cefali is a member of the firm's Fairness and Solvency Opinion Senior Review Committee. She has been with the Duff & Phelps Opinions Practice of Kroll, LLC for over 30 years, advising companies and boards, rendering fairness opinions and solvency opinions and determining valuations of companies and securities.

Cefali has built her fairness opinion and solvency opinion practice over the years. Today Cefali is known as a leader in providing transaction opinions in REIT and real estate transactions, working regularly with firms such as Blackstone and KKR. She has significant experience in REIT roll-up and REIT internalization transactions.



CHRIS CHO

EVP Regional Chief Banking Officer
Hanmi Bank

Chris Cho has built a banking career spanning more than two decades across commercial lending, community banking, and capital markets. Through his early work as a lender, he gained firsthand insight into the needs of entrepreneurs and developed a client-focused approach that continues to guide his leadership today.

In 2013, Cho joined Hanmi Bank and has since played a key role in expanding the bank's commercial banking platform and geographic footprint. During his tenure, he has consistently grown the portfolio under his management by 50-100% annually, resulting in cumulative growth of more than 50 times in loans and deposits. By 2021, his portfolio had grown by more than 3,000%, leading to his promotion to executive vice president.



KEN CHOI

Head of Consumer Lending, SBA & Mortgage Banking
East West Bank

Ken Choi is head of consumer lending, SBA, and mortgage banking at East West Bank. He is a senior banking executive with over 22 years of leadership experience overseeing Consumer Lending, SBA, Mortgage Banking, CRA, Servicing Operations, and Risk Management.

Choi also oversees consumer loan servicing operations and is instrumental in East West Bank's continued success with CRA at East West Bank achieving an outstanding performance level rating from the Federal Reserve Bank. Choi also provides mentoring to colleagues in the industry, as well as participates in local high school alumni events and assists current college or graduate students with gaining internships or full time employment.

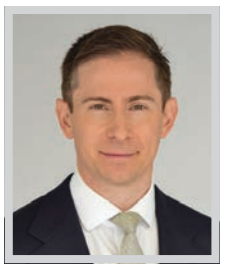


ANNA CHUNG

EVP; Chief Community Lending Officer
Hanmi Bank

Anna Chung has spent more than four decades helping small business owners access capital, grow their companies and navigate economic uncertainty. As executive vice president and chief community lending officer at Hanmi Bank, she leads the bank's Community Lending Division, which plays a key role in Hanmi's growth strategy and encompasses its SBA Lending and Community Banking teams.

Chung's career has been defined by a commitment to small business banking. Chung began her banking career at California Korea Bank, which was later acquired by Hanmi Bank, and has spent more than 37 years specializing in SBA lending. Over that time, she has built deep expertise in helping business owners secure financing, expand operations and pursue long-term growth opportunities.

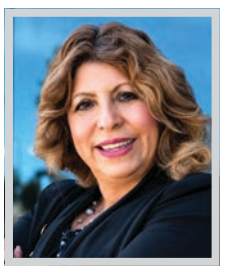


HENRAY COHEN

US Head of Investments
BMO

Henray Cohen is the US head of investments at BMO Wealth Management, where he leads the investment practice for one of the country's premier wealth platforms – a business entrusted with more than $80 billion in assets under management. In this role, he directs a national team of investment professionals, oversees the firm's investment platform, and works directly with select client relationships.

Cohen's career reflects a steady progression through positions of increasing responsibility and scope. He joined BMO in 2025 to lead its US investment practice. Previously, he was at Northern Trust. Across each role, he has built a reputation for pairing disciplined investment rigor with a genuine commitment to clients and families.

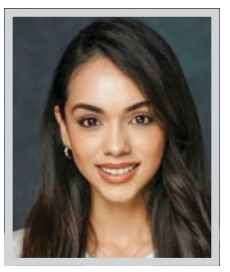


ARMIDA COLMENARES-STAFFORD

Vice President; Middle Market Relationship Manager
Columbia Bank

Armida Colmenares-Stafford is not only considered one of Los Angeles' leading professionals in the banking industry but a barrier-breaking Latina and a longtime advocate of women and minority-owned businesses. In her over 40 years of banking, Colmenares-Stafford has served in various senior management positions with national, regional and community banks in the greater Los Angeles area. She is considered one of Los Angeles leading Latinas in the banking industry and a longtime advocate of women and minority-owned businesses.

This year, Columbia Bank recruited Colmenares-Stafford to lead client relationship management of their strategically important middle market division.



LIZBETH DA BROY

Assistant Vice President; Business Access Advisor
U.S. Bank

Lizbeth Da Broy combines deep banking expertise with measurable, community-centered impact for small businesses across the Los Angeles region. With more than 13 years in banking, her career progression reflects consistent growth in responsibility and leadership – from teller to personal banker, assistant branch manager, branch manager, and now business access advisor at U.S. Bank. Each role strengthened her ability to understand client needs, build trust-based relationships, and deliver practical solutions that help businesses stabilize and scale.

In her current role, Da Broy provides personalized financial guidance and strategic support to entrepreneurs, helping them streamline access to capital and improve financial management.



OLIVIER de GIVENCHY

West Region CEO
J.P. Morgan Private Bank

Olivier de Givenchy has built a distinguished career in banking, marked by leadership roles across major financial institutions. He began his journey in 1985 with Citibank's training program in New York, gaining foundational experience in the industry. In 1989, he joined Bankers Trust, where he managed the European private banking business, sharpening his expertise in wealth management and client service.

de Givenchy later joined J.P. Morgan, where he served as chief executive officer of the Private Bank in the United Kingdom and as CEO and Chairman of the Board of J.P. Morgan International Bank. Today, as west region head at J.P. Morgan Private Bank, he leads more than 700 bankers, investors, wealth advisors and support staff across 13 offices in 10 states.

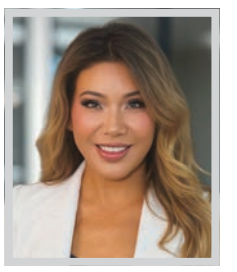


TONY T. DIEP

VP; Branch Manager
Mission Valley Bank

Tony Diep is the vice president and branch manager at Mission Valley Bank located at 440 E. Huntington Drive, Suite# 104 in Arcadia. With over 25 years of experience in the banking industry, he has developed a deep understanding of financial services and client needs.

Diep began his banking career as a part-time teller while attending college. After graduation and through motivation, dedication, and hard work, he has advanced through various roles, including banker, assistant manager, relationship manager, and now branch manager. His extensive experience has equipped him with a broad skill set, specializing in consumer lending, business lending, and wealth and portfolio management. He is passionate about meeting new people and helping clients achieve their financial goals.



JACKY DILFER

CEO; President
Business Finance Capital (BFC)

Jacky Dilfer is CEO and president of Business Finance Capital (BFC), bringing more than two decades of experience in commercial finance throughout California to the role. Under her leadership, BFC has expanded statewide while consistently earning top national rankings for SBA loan production, growing into one of the nation's premier SBA Certified Development Companies.

In the most recent full fiscal year, Dilfer oversaw the financing of more than 270 commercial real estate transactions for small and mid-sized businesses, representing more than $668 million in commercial and SBA financing. Under her guidance, BFC has been recognized as the number one SBA 504 lender in Los Angeles County by dollar volume for multiple consecutive years.

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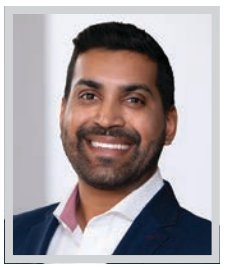
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Congratulations to BMO's five honorees named to the ***Los Angeles Business Journal*** **Top 100 Bankers** list.

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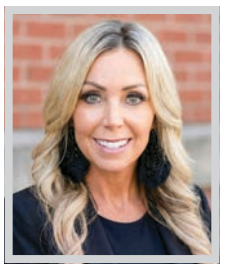


NEIL DOSHI

Executive Director; Market Executive, Disruptive Commerce
J.P. Morgan Commercial Banking

Neil Doshi is the executive director, market executive for Southern California Disruptive Commerce & Internet, a specialized group within Specialized Industries and the Innovation Economy, that serves high growth, institutionally-backed consumer companies, from modern brands to internet businesses.

Doshi leads coverage across the broader Southern California region and oversees a team of seven licensed bankers, supported by associates and analysts all based in Los Angeles. He sets market strategy, directly advises key clients, and develops talent while coordinating the right JPMorganChase resources for each situation. He joined JPMorganChase five and a half years ago as a vice president.

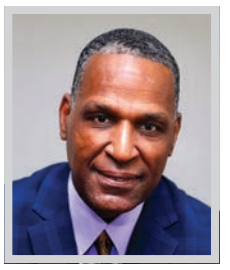


MELISSA DOWLER

Vice President of Retail Banking, West Coast Market
Enterprise Bank & Trust

Melissa Dowler has spent more than 20 years building a successful career in banking, progressing from a teller into executive retail banking leadership. Her career has given her firsthand experience in virtually every aspect of branch banking, including operations, sales, client relationships, compliance, business development, and people leadership. That experience has shaped her into a well-rounded banking executive who understands both the business and the people behind it.

Today, Dowler serves as vice president and retail market manager for Enterprise Bank & Trust's California market. She oversees eight branches and approximately 40 employees across San Diego, Orange County, and Los Angeles.

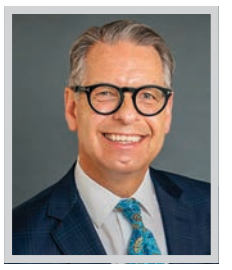


KEITH DRAKE

Senior Vice President; Commercial Banking Executive
City First Bank

Keith Drake, senior vice president of commercial banking at City First Bank, stands out because he brings together what Los Angeles needs most from its banking leaders: sound judgment, deep community trust, and the ability to move capital where it can make a real difference.

In the past year alone, Drake has helped deploy more than $90 million to support businesses, nonprofits, and community-focused projects across the Southern California region. Behind that number are local employers, neighborhood-serving organizations, and entrepreneurs who were able to move forward because Drake understood both the financial opportunity and the human stakes behind it.

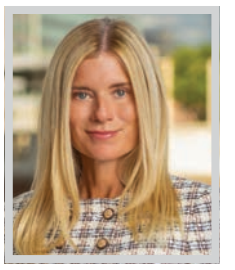


GENE DUNFORD

Senior Managing Director; Head, Los Angeles Commercial Banking Group
Columbia Bank

Gene Dunford is a senior managing director with Columbia Bank and one of Southern California's most recognized commercial banking leaders. Over the course of a banking career spanning more than three decades, he has built a reputation for helping middle market companies, privately held businesses, nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and entrepreneurs access the capital and strategic advice needed to grow and succeed. His career has included leadership roles at financial institutions of various sizes.

Ten years ago, Dunford was tasked with establishing and growing a commercial banking presence downtown. Starting with a small team, he built the office into one of the region's most successful commercial banking operations.

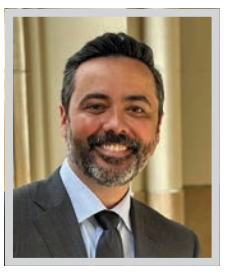


LINDSAY DUNN

Executive Vice President; Head, Personal & Business Banking
City National Bank

Lindsay Dunn is executive vice president and head of Personal & Business Banking (PBB) at City National Bank. She is responsible for the bank's branch network, personal banking, small business and business banking teams.

Dunn has more than 25 years of banking experience. She joined City National in 2005 as a relationship manager in the real estate group, and for the last five years, served as executive vice president, head of Commercial Real Estate Banking. She built a team that is well known in the industry for delivering comprehensive financial solutions tailored to real estate developers and investors, driving success for clients and the bank alike. She was named to her current role as head of PBB in July 2026.



SAAID EL-HENDI

Middle Market Director
Columbia Bank

Saaid leads one of Columbia Bank's highest performing teams, representing one of the bank's largest and most important markets. He oversees the Los Angeles region, leading a large commercial team that spans multiple offices across Encino, Pasadena, Brentwood and Downtown LA.

With over two decades of experience in sales and credit, El-Hendi brings a hybrid background that enables him and his teams to understand client needs at a deeper level. He spent his early career at several major financial institutions, starting out as an underwriter before moving into commercial credit as a credit manager and quickly ascending in leadership roles. As middle market director, he uses his combination of relationship banking and technical credit skills to bring a sophisticated perspective to client interactions.

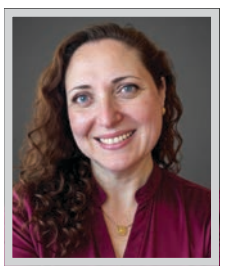


MEHDI EMRANI

Managing Director, Greater Los Angeles Region
BMO

Mehdi Emrani's career reflects more than 20 years of progressive leadership across commercial banking and wealth management, with a consistent focus on serving clients, developing teams, and strengthening collaboration across banking disciplines. He began his banking career as a commercial banking relationship manager, later advancing to lead a regional commercial banking office in Greater Los Angeles. He subsequently transitioned into senior private wealth leadership, serving as a regional managing director.

Today, Emrani is a managing director and market executive for BMO Private Bank in the Greater Los Angeles market. He leads a team that includes wealth advisors, financial advisors, private bankers, portfolio managers, trust professionals, and other specialists.



ZHANNA FISH

Senior Vice President; Managing Director
U.S. Bank

Zhanna Fish, serves as senior vice president; managing director at U.S. Bank. She leads a team of wealth management professionals responsible for providing comprehensive strategies tailored to our client's specific needs. These strategies encompass investment management, private banking, trust and estate services, and wealth planning.

She takes the time to understand her clients' unique needs and direct team specialists – often working closely with other client advisors, such as attorneys and accountants-to provide services that help clients work toward their goals. She does this with every interaction with her clients and her they routinely leave conversations with her better understanding their various options to achieve their goals. She also mentors her employees and coworkers.

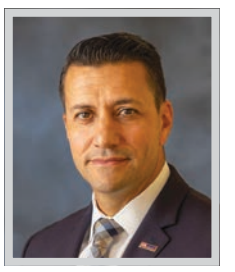


MATTHEW FOURNIER

Wealth Partner; Managing Director
The Fournier Group at J.P. Morgan

Matthew Fournier is a managing director and wealth partner at J.P. Morgan Wealth Management. He and his team provide active portfolio management, asset allocation, wealth management (including retirement planning), lending, and other key financial services to over 100 combined institutions (for-and non-profit) and individuals, including entertainers, athletes, and entrepreneurs, among many others. He actively manages over $1.3 billion in assets custodied at J.P. Morgan.

Fournier has a track record of investment success. For example, in the five years through 12/31/2025, his Investment Grade Taxable Fixed Income Strategy outperformed the Bloomberg Aggregate Bond Index and the Bloomberg 1-3 Year Gov/Credit Index after realized fees.



JAMES GALINDO

Senior Vice President, Institutional Client Group; Los Angeles North Market Leader
U.S. Bank

James Galindo brings deep Los Angeles market experience, client-focused leadership and a distinguished record of military service to one of U.S. Bank's most important growth markets. Before joining U.S. Bank, Galindo spent much of his banking career advising middle-market companies and most recently managed a business banking team and middle-market client relationships at Bank of America.

Galindo joined U.S. Bank in 2025. His appointment was part of an expansion that established dedicated North and South Los Angeles leadership to provide businesses with more localized expertise. He leads the bank's work with large and middle-market companies across North Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

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HANS GETTY

Senior Vice President, Institutional Client Group; Los Angeles South Market Leader
U.S. Bank

Hans Getty has sustained a record of client leadership, market growth and innovation during a 18-year career at U.S. Bank. He began his financial services career in portfolio management and underwriting before becoming a senior relationship manager. Those roles gave him a strong foundation in credit, risk management, financial analysis and relationship development.

Getty now serves as Los Angeles South Market Leader for U.S. Bank's Institutional Client Group, overseeing relationships with middle-market and large corporate clients across Downtown and West Los Angeles, the South Bay and Long Beach. He is responsible for market strategy, team leadership, client development and connecting companies with capabilities.



BRIAN GILPATRICK

Senior Vice President; Regional Banking Manager, California
EverBank

Brian Gilpatrick has built a distinguished banking career rooted in Southern California, progressing through increasingly senior leadership roles while developing deep expertise in retail banking, operations, risk management, compliance, business integration and strategic growth. Today, as senior vice president and regional banking manager for California at EverBank, Gilpatrick oversees more than 50 associates across 12 financial centers statewide. This includes 11 financial centers in Southern California, eight of which are in Los Angeles County.

Gilpatrick is responsible for driving client growth, expanding EverBank's presence in key California markets and developing high-performing teams.



MARK GLASKY

California Regional President
Valley Bank

Since joining Valley Bank in October 2025, Mark Glasky has quickly made his mark on the Los Angeles banking landscape. As California regional president, Glasky oversees Valley's commercial and industrial (C&I) banking business across the West Coast, leading a team of five direct reports and 25 total employees. In less than a year, he has helped grow Valley's loan portfolio to more than $800 million.

In 2026 to date, Glasky's team has booked new business three times larger than the total business the bank secured during all of 2025. Glasky continues to recruit experienced talent and expand Valley's presence across California and the West Coast. Those results build on more than four decades of experience growing commercial banking businesses.

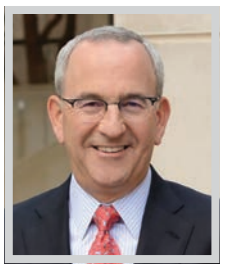


KEVIN GONZALEZ

SVP; Regional Manager, DTLA
Commercial Bank of California

Kevin Gonzalez has built his career through a series of purposeful moves that expanded his experience, sharpened his lending expertise and prepared him to lead in one of the country's most competitive banking markets.

Gonzalez began his career at Wells Fargo and went on to hold roles at several major and community-focused financial institutions, including Bank of America, before joining Commercial Bank of California. Since joining CBC, Gonzalez has continued to take on greater responsibility and today serves as senior vice president and regional manager of the Bank's Downtown Los Angeles office. He leads the region while continuing to work closely with business owners on financing and broader banking needs.

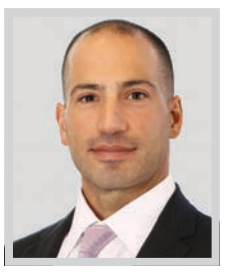


LLOYD GREIF

President; CEO
Greif & Co.

Lloyd Greif first entered the industry in November 1992 as a fledgling investment banker at Sutro & Co., as an associate. Based on bringing in business—something associates aren't expected to do—he experienced a meteoric rise. Two years later, he was named executive vice president and head of mergers & acquisitions, and the following year he was promoted to vice chairman and head of Sutro's Investment Banking Division.

After his 10-year "apprenticeship," Greif resigned from Sutro and formed Greif & Co. as The Entrepreneur's Investment Bank in 1992, a contrarian move during an economic recession. Greif has never looked back and today Greif & Co. is one of the leading investment banking firms serving middle-market growth companies nationwide.

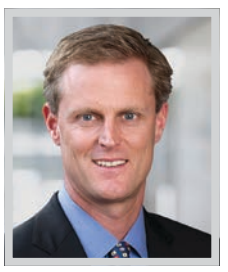


GREG HADDAD

Executive Managing Director
MidFirst Bank

Greg Haddad is known for his strong leadership, deep banking expertise, and impact on the Southern California banking market. Since joining MidFirst Bank (previously 1st Century Bank) he has grown his team at the bank from three people to 25 people and he oversees the largest business units in all of California. He is responsible for overseeing and managing more than $3 billion of deposits and loans.

Haddad helps lead MidFirst Bank's California presence by overseeing market strategy, supporting relationship managers, developing new business opportunities, and ensuring exceptional client service. His professionalism, industry knowledge, and commitment to relationship banking make him a highly deserving candidate for this recognition.

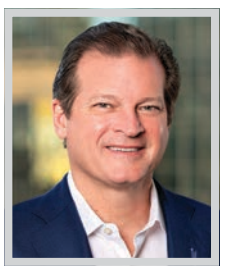


CHANNING HAMLET

Managing Director
Objective, Investment Banking & Valuation

Channing Hamlet is a managing director and co-owner of Objective, Investment Banking & Valuation, where he plays a pivotal role in the firm's success as both a leader and decision maker in the firm, and a strategic and execution lead in the Investment Banking Group. With over 25 years of experience in investment banking and business valuation, Hamlet has advised business owners on transaction execution, exit strategies, and business performance improvement.

At Objective, Hamlet has closed more than 25 sell-side transactions in the last five years, with deal experience spanning middle-market companies in business services, healthcare, and technology. His ability to drive M&A execution and business development has directly contributed to tens of millions of dollars in revenue for Objective.



HOWARD HAMMOND

President; CEO
City National Bank

Howard Hammond is president and chief executive officer of City National Bank, the largest bank headquartered in Los Angeles and a subsidiary of Royal Bank of Canada (RBC). He is the bank's fifth CEO since its founding in 1954. In this role, he oversees all of City National's businesses, including Entertainment & Sports Banking, Commercial Banking, Private Bank & Wealth Management, and Personal & Business Banking. He is also a member of City National's board of directors.

Hammond brings more than 30 years of financial services experience and a strong track record of transforming organizations for operational strength and risk management. Since joining City National in 2023, he has led a comprehensive transformation that has repositioned the bank for growth.

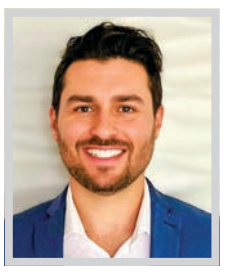


MIEKE HOLKEBOER

Director, Affordable Housing Finance
Western Alliance Bank

Mieke Holkeboer has built a 23-year career in banking and financial services around a consistent theme: using sophisticated finance to advance organizations and projects with meaningful public purpose.

Holkeboer joined Western Alliance Bank in 2015, initially focusing on nonprofit finance, including charter schools and cultural institutions. In 2020, she moved into affordable housing finance, where she found what she describes as the strongest intersection of her financial expertise and longstanding mission orientation. Today, as director of affordable housing finance, Holkeboer leads Western Alliance's national affordable housing lending platform, overseeing investment efforts and debt underwriting for construction and construction-to-permanent low-income housing opportunities.



CAMERON HOOSHIVAR

Senior Vice President, Private Banking Market Manager
California Bank & Trust

Cameron Hooshivar, MBA, CFP, has a consistent record of high performance and leadership with more than 15 years dedicated to private banking and wealth management. Beginning with Bank of America as a senior relationship manager and financial center sales manager, he next moved to JPMorgan Chase & Co as a private client banker before joining California Bank & Trust as a senior private banking relationship manager and currently serving as a market manager for private banking. Throughout his career, Hooshivar has consistently ranked as a #1 or a top three private banker in California.

In his current role as senior vice president and private banking market manager, Hooshivar oversees a team serving high-net-worth individuals across Los Angeles and Orange counties.

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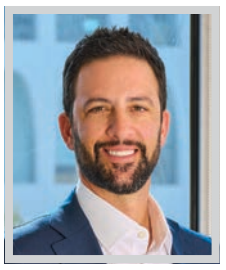
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AARON HOUPIS

EVP; Managing Director, Specialty Deposits & Private Banking
Banc of California

Aaron Houpis is executive vice president and managing director of specialty deposits and private banking at Banc of California. With more than 20 years of banking experience and nearly eight years at the bank, he leads the Specialty Deposits group and is spearheading the launch of Banc of California's Private Banking platform.

Houpis' work expands the bank's relationship-based service model to high-net-worth individuals, business owners and executives while reinforcing the bank's reputation for high-touch client service. He oversees banking solutions for clients with complex and specialized deposit needs. His perspective is informed by experience across nearly every major segment of banking.

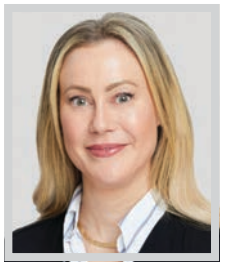


RANDY HUA

Senior Vice President; Head, Entertainment Industries Group
Bank of America

Randy Hua serves as senior vice president and head of the Entertainment Industries Group at Bank of America, where he oversees client relationship management and facilitates the approval of new credit transactions for film and television production/distribution companies, sales agents, music labels/publishing companies and talent managers/agencies.

Under Hua's leadership, the team has grown to be a market leader in the space, with billions of dollars committed, adding over $800 million in loan commitments in the past year. He directs client relationships and credit transactions for premier film production companies, talent agencies and music publishing firms.

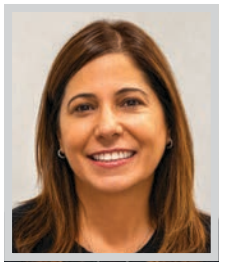


LYNDSEY HUDGINS

Senior Vice President; Senior Managing Director
MidFirst Bank

Beginning in insurance and investments, Lyndsey Hudgins built a strong foundation in relationship development, client service, and financial solutions. Through dedication, strong performance, and a commitment to excellence, Hudgins progressed into management roles, where they successfully led teams, developed talent, and drove business growth. Their career continued to evolve into Relationship Management, becoming a trusted advisor to affluent clients and business owners while delivering comprehensive banking, lending, and wealth management solutions.

Hudgins is now responsible for driving growth, leading high-performing teams, deepening client relationships, and ensuring exceptional service across the market.

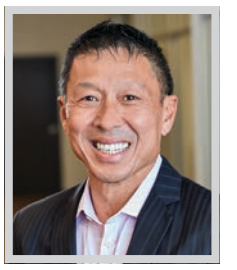


ARLET HUR

Senior Vice President; Middle Market Manager
Columbia Bank

Based in Encino, Arlet Hur is a 28-year banking industry professional whose career has been defined by client continuity, leadership through multiple institutional transitions and experience across several economic cycles. In her current role, she oversees a team of relationship managers and support staff across the Los Angeles region, responsible for managing her own client base while supporting her team in delivering tailored financial solutions to middle market and nonprofit customers.

Hur has played an integral role in maintaining client trust during periods of institutional change. Throughout each of these mergers, she has worked across sales, operations and credit teams to support internal readiness, client retention, staff training and conversions.

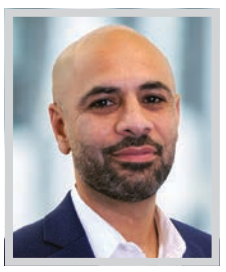


DEAN INDOT

Managing Director, Private Client Group
Western Alliance Bank

Dean Indot is the founding managing director of Western Alliance Bank's Private Client Group, a dedicated team of expert bankers and mortgage professionals serving the complex needs of Registered Investment Advisors (RIAs), Family Offices and their high-net-worth clients. The role serves as the perfect platform for Indot to apply the expertise he has built during his diverse financial career, which includes brokerage and private banking roles, serving as a CFO and leading complex lending relationships.

Indot launched Western Alliance Bank's Private Client Group in 2025 to serve RIAs, family offices and individual clients with the same relationship-driven approach that has earned him the trust of business owners throughout Southern California.

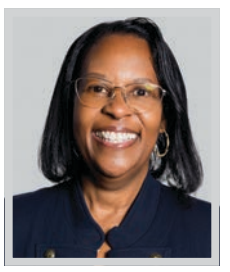


ADNAN IQBAL

Managing Director; COO
Montminy & Co., LLC

Adnan Iqbal has spent nearly two decades building a career in middle-market investment banking. He began as an investment banking analyst at Rutberg & Company, then spent five years as an Investment banking associate at New Century Capital Partners before joining Telos Advisors.

In 2015, Iqbal joined Montminy & Co., where he has since risen to partner, managing director, and COO, helping lead the firm's Corporate Finance and M&A Advisory practice. Since 2024, he has also served as co-head of the Global Technology Practice at Mergers Alliance, an international partnership of 18 leading M&A advisory firms. In 2022, he received the Emerging Leader Award from The M&A Advisor, recognizing his rise from analyst to partner-level leadership across technology, media, and strategic M&A.



KATHY IRBY

SVP; Regional Manager, Santa Monica
Commercial Bank of California

Kathy Irby has built her career from the ground up and spent more than two decades helping businesses in Santa Monica grow, invest and navigate change. She began her banking career after college in an entry-level teller role. From there, she moved into lending and account management, taking on greater responsibility as she built experience across commercial lending, credit, underwriting, operations and client service.

Over more than 25 years in local banking, Irby has developed a broad understanding of how a bank works and how to put that knowledge to work for the people and businesses she serves. At Commercial Bank of California, she oversees the office and its operations while leading a team that serves businesses, entrepreneurs and individuals throughout the market.

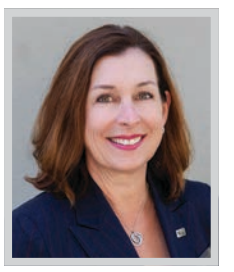


MICHAEL JANOVEC

MD, Investment Banking
Wedbush

Michael Janovec is recognized for serving as a trusted advisor to companies shaping the future of technology. As a managing director in Wedbush's Disruptive Technology, Media & Sports Investment Banking group, he brings a distinctive blend of strategic insight, execution expertise, and operational experience that enables him to deliver exceptional outcomes.

Janovec's career reflects a trajectory of growth and increasing responsibility within the banking industry. He began his investment banking career at GCA (now part of Houlihan Lokey), where he developed a strong foundation advising technology companies on strategic transactions. He joined Wedbush in 2025, where he advises innovative companies at the forefront of industrial technology.

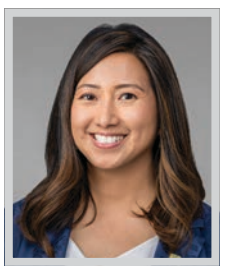


CYNTHIA JORDAN

Regional President, Southern California and Arizona
Fifth Third Bank, National Association

Cynthia Jordan is a respected banking executive whose career reflects more than three decades of leadership, business development and service to clients and communities. Her progression within the industry is distinguished by a steady expansion of responsibility. During 15 years in strategic leadership roles at Comerica Bank, her scope grew from Greater Los Angeles to Southern California. Most recently, she served as Southern California market president for middle market and business banking before joining Fifth Third Bank following its acquisition of Comerica.

Today, Jordan oversees the strategic direction and growth of Fifth Third Bank's commercial banking, wealth and asset management, and commercial payment businesses.



GRACE KANGDANI

Senior Vice President; Group Manager
Fifth Third Bank, National Association

At Comerica Bank, a division of Fifth Third Bank, N.A., Grace Kangdani has served as a senior vice president and group manager leading a team of banking specialists serving middle-market companies across Greater Los Angeles. She works closely with clients to understand their business needs and provide strategic financial guidance and tailored solutions that support growth and long-term success. Her experience across client-facing, operational, investigative and technology disciplines gives her a broad understanding of the complex environments in which businesses and financial institutions operate.

Kangdani 's leadership comes at a pivotal moment as Fifth Third builds upon Comerica's longstanding Southern California presence and expands its capabilities in one of the nation's most dynamic markets.

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Including our very own Howard Hammond, Lindsay Dunn, JaHan Wang, Brandon Williams and Joe Yurosek.



Howard Hammond
President and Chief Executive Officer



Lindsay Dunn
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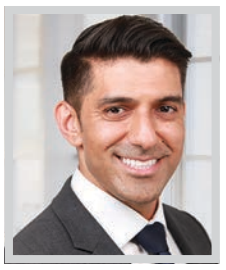
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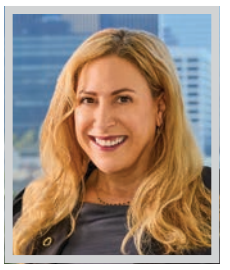


SAMEER KARIM

MD, Investment Banking
Wedbush

As managing director in Wedbush's Technology Investment Banking group, Sameer Karim advises technology companies on mergers and acquisitions, capital raises, strategic partnerships, and acquihires, serving as a trusted advisor through the most important decisions in their growth journey.

What distinguishes Karim is the rare perspective he brings to the industry. Before entering investment banking, he worked as an engineer at Cisco and Forcepoint (formerly Websense). At Wedbush, Karim continues to advise technology companies through critical inflection points, whether that's an acquisition, a capital raise, or a complex strategic transaction. His combination of technical depth and financial expertise makes him a more effective and credible partner to the clients he serves.

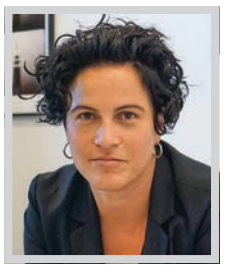


LISA KASKEL

Executive Vice President; Regional Manager, Los Angeles Real Estate and Construction Group
Banc of California

Lisa Kaskel is executive vice president, regional manager, of Banc of California's Los Angeles Real Estate and Construction Group. She is a seasoned lending executive with extensive expertise in structured finance, bridge lending and construction lending. Beginning her career without formal real estate finance training, she built her expertise through determination, continuous learning and hands-on experience, ultimately becoming one of Southern California's leading commercial real estate bankers. Today she leads a team serving many of the nation's top real estate owners, operators, and developers.

Kaskel has built strong relationships with leading public and private investors and developers.



NIKKI KATZ

Head, Digital Banking
Bank of America

As head of digital at Bank of America, Nikki Katz leads the continuous evolution of the bank's digital services and channels, transforming the mobile and online customer experience while delivering leading-edge capabilities for its approximately 60 million digital clients.

Under Katz's leadership, her team has driven the continued development and growth of "Erica," the industry's first and most widely adopted AI-powered virtual financial assistant. In 2025, Erica surpassed 3.6 billion total interactions since its 2018 launch, serving more than 50 million clients and averaging more than 200 million interactions per quarter. Since launch, Erica has delivered more than 1.7 billion proactive, personalized insights to clients.

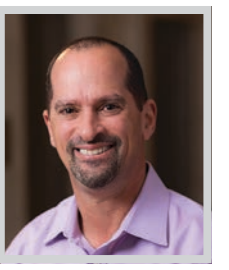


ANTHONY KIM

Senior Executive Vice President; Chief Banking Officer
Hanmi Bank

Anthony Kim is senior executive vice president and chief banking officer at Hanmi Bank, where he oversees the bank's revenue generation efforts, including loan production and deposit growth, as well as 32 branches, a corporate banking center, and the specialty lending group. He joined Hanmi in 2013 as executive vice president and chief lending officer and was promoted to chief banking officer in 2019. With more than 32 years of banking experience, Kim has played an important role in Hanmi's growth and expansion.

As a member of Hanmi's senior management team, Kim has helped execute many of the bank's key business priorities, including expanding lending capabilities.

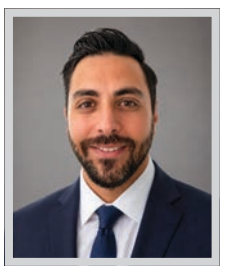


DAVID KOHN

Regional Executive Vice President
American Business Bank

David Kohn is a regional executive vice president at American Business Bank, specializing in commercial banking for Southern California's middle-market companies. Operating primarily out of the greater Los Angeles region, he brings extensive leadership experience in financial management to the firm.

Kohn has made a significant impact on clients and the businesses they serve by leading high-performing banking teams that deliver strategic financial solutions tailored to the unique needs of individuals, businesses, and commercial clients. Through a client-first leadership approach, they have cultivated a culture focused on relationship banking, ensuring clients receive proactive guidance, responsive service, and innovative financial strategies.



GEORGE KOSSAN

Vice President, Commercial Banking
PNC Bank

George Kossan is a highly accomplished commercial banker whose leadership, client focus and consistent performance have helped drive growth for both his clients and PNC Bank throughout the Los Angeles market. As a vice president in Corporate & Institutional Banking at PNC Bank, Kossan manages complex commercial banking relationships for middle-market companies and has played an important role in expanding PNC's commercial banking presence across Southern California.

In his current role, Kossan is responsible for sourcing, developing and managing relationships with middle-market companies throughout the greater Los Angeles region. He leads the structuring and execution of complex commercial lending transactions while providing customized financing, treasury management and capital solutions.

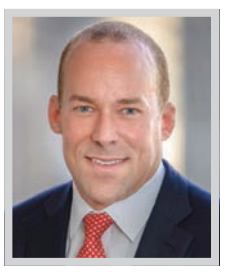


DOUGLAS P. KRAUSE

Vice Chairman; Chief Corporate Officer
East West Bank

Douglas P. Krause is the vice chairman & chief corporate officer of East West Bancorp and East West Bank. Prior to East West, Krause served as General Counsel of Metrobank. Krause started his legal career at the law firm of Jones Day. Krause serves on the boards of the Western Bankers Association and the International Bankers Association of California.

He is a past commissioner and audit committee chair of the Port of Los Angeles and of the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority. Krause received a bachelor's degree from Carleton College and a J.D. from Columbia Law School, where he graduated with honors and was managing editor of the Columbia Law Review.



BRAD LARSEN

Managing Director; Senior Market Executive
Bank of America Private Bank

Brad Larsen advises Los Angeles' exponential wealth growth. In his role as managing director and senior market executive for Bank of America Private Bank, Larsen directs the Greater Los Angeles region, leading a team of nearly 200 Private Bank professionals and managers who provide integrated strategy and execution in multiple disciplines to ultra-high net worth individuals and families in the areas of: investment management, wealth structuring, trust and estate planning services, philanthropy, and credit and lending through Bank of America.

Under Larsen's direction over the past six years, the Los Angeles division of BofA's Private Bank has seen record-breaking growth – including increasing its client base by 16% over the past year while hiring top talent at a similar pace.

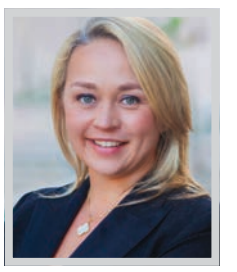


VICTOR LE

Head, Asset-Based Lending
Western Alliance Bank

Victor Le is head of the Asset-Based Lending (ABL) Group for Western Alliance Bank, a top-performing national bank with specialized banking groups in 30+ industries. In his decade at Western Alliance, Le has worked his way up from relationship manager to the top executive of his lending group. Today, Le leads a team of 25 bankers and analysts dedicated to funding clients based on assets ranging from purchase orders, receivables, inventory, equipment and real estate assets. His earlier experience encompassed structured finance and credit for commercial clients.

For Le, 2025 brought a diverse group of clients, including cloud computing software, fintech platforms, steel distributors, aftermarket aircraft parts, specific brands, digital advertising, retail display innovators and agriculture businesses, among others.



DEBORAH LEERHSEN

Executive Vice President; Head, Global Banking
East West Bank

Deborah Leerhsen brings 25 years of global corporate and commercial banking business leadership to her role as head of global banking at East West Bank. Prior to her latest role as global head of client coverage for Commonwealth Bank (with a market cap of $165 billion), Leerhsen was deputy head of Asia & Oceania for Mizuho Bank and head of global banking for HSBC in Hong Kong.

Leerhsen spent over 15 years as a senior coverage banker and account owner for HSBC's largest institutional banking and markets clients in London and Hong Kong. She also led Commodity Trade Finance business in HSBC Singapore. She holds a degree in Economics from the University of Chicago and completed the Board Directorship Program in 2015 at the University of Hong Kong.

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JOE LIM

Executive Vice President
California Bank & Trust

A highly respected leader within California Bank & Trust, Joe Lim has built a career dedicated to the growth and success of the commercial banking sector. Beginning his journey at Heller Financial, Lim developed his foundation in credit and risk management before advancing to a relationship manager role at Comerica Bank. He joined California Bank & Trust in 2001, where his strategic acumen propelled him from an underwriter to relationship manager, to senior relationship manager and team leader.

In his current role as executive vice president, Lim serves as unit manager for the Commercial Division, managing a high-performing team of bankers, overseeing a complex portfolio, and directing a significant book of business.

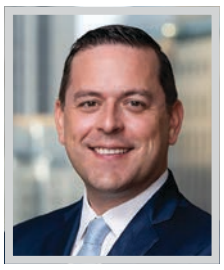


ROBERT LO

Executive Vice President; Head, Commercial Real Estate Banking
East West Bank

Robert Lo began his banking career as a loan assistant and effectively learned every aspect of lending and expanding relationships from the ground up. As a consistently demonstrated exceptional leader, he was recognized and progressed in his three-decade career as a branch manager, top relationship manager, and then top performing team leader where he leads eight teams of 100 people to navigate East West Bank's CRE that include not for profit, affordable housing, low income housing tax credits, bridge/value add, and ground up construction.

Under Lo's leadership, his teams exemplify the highest standards of integrity and professionalism.

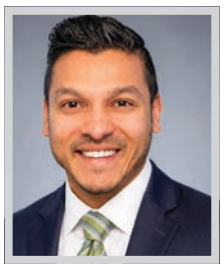


ROBERT LUCE

Managing Director; Pacific Head, Diversified Industries Group, US Commercial Banking
BMO

Robert Luce's 18-year career reflects consistent advancement, outstanding commercial results and a demonstrated ability to build high-performing teams. Today, he serves as managing director and pacific head of the Diversified Industries Group for BMO's US Commercial Banking organization. He leads the bank's West Coast commercial banking business across more than 10 offices in three states, with responsibility for a broad team serving middle-market companies with annual revenue ranging from $50 million to $3 billion.

Luce has strengthened BMO's leadership and talent base by adding four new leaders across Los Angeles and the Valley.

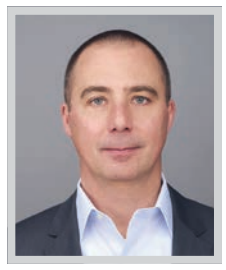


HASAN MANNAN

Head, Southern California Emerging Middle Market Banking and Pac Rim Banking
BMO

Hasan Mannan is known for his exceptional leadership, sustained career progression, and meaningful impact on clients, colleagues, and the communities he serves. Throughout his banking career, Mannan has consistently advanced into roles of increasing responsibility, earning a reputation for driving business growth, developing high-performing teams, and delivering outstanding client outcomes. He is widely recognized for his collaborative, relationship-driven leadership style and his ability to build trusted partnerships that create lasting value.

Mannan's experience spans corporate & investment banking, commercial banking, business banking, and retail banking.



TIM MARTIN

Managing Director, Corporate & Institutional Banking
PNC Bank

Tim Martin exemplifies the leadership, expertise and client commitment that define the banking profession at its highest level. Over the course of a 25-year career, Martin has built a broad understanding of the financial services industry, progressing through a series of increasingly impactful roles across investment banking, leveraged finance, private equity and corporate banking.

Today, as a managing director in PNC Corporate Banking, Martin is responsible for cultivating and managing relationships with many of Southern California's largest private and public companies. He serves as a trusted advisor, connecting clients to capital.

CONGRATULATIONS
Mark Glasky!

Valley is proud to celebrate **Mark Glasky, California Regional President,** on being named a 2026 Top 100 Banker.

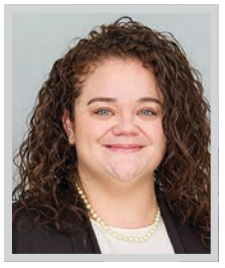
This recognition reflects Mark's dedication to excellence, leadership, and commitment to serving clients, colleagues, and the communities we proudly support.



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MEME MONCADA

SVP, Entertainment Corporate Banking
PNC Bank

Meme Moncada is an accomplished banking executive whose career reflects a unique combination of technical expertise, client-focused leadership and a commitment to advancing the entertainment finance industry. As a senior vice president and senior relationship manager in PNC's Entertainment Corporate Banking group, she has quickly established herself as a trusted advisor to companies across the media and entertainment ecosystem while helping expand PNC's presence in one of Los Angeles' most dynamic industries.

Today, Moncada serves as the primary relationship manager for entertainment and media clients, developing and maintaining comprehensive banking relationships.

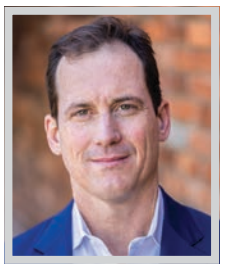


BRADY MONEY

Managing Director
Greif & Co.

Brady Money began his career as an analyst with Greif & Co. and has steadily promoted through the ranks to managing director, where he has been involved with dozens of entrepreneurial clients.

Money works with clients on both merger & acquisition transactions and capital raising as well as new deal origination. His experience at the company incorporates a wide array of industries including manufacturing, aerospace & defense, consumer products & retail, and business services. is intimately involved in all aspects of investment banking deals, from due diligence, positioning, marketing and negotiating the most value-enhancing transactions for his clients.



JOEL MONTMINY

President; CEO
Montminy & Co., LLC

Joel Montminy is the founder and driving force behind Montminy & Co., a highly respected investment banking firm, and brings 30 years of experience in mergers and acquisitions. Over the course of his career, he has built a reputation for executing complex, high-value transactions with precision and vision, advising on more than $8 billion in middle-market transactions and over $3 billion in cross-border deals spanning 30 countries.

Montminy's career path includes senior leadership roles at Greif & Co. and Arter & Hadden, LLP, before founding Montminy & Co. Today, as founder and leader of the firm, he continues to expand its footprint in strategic M&A across consumer, technology, sports, and business services.

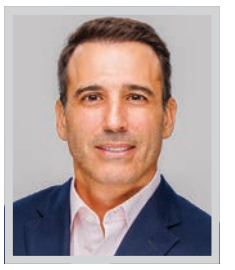


FARZAD MUKHI

Managing Director
Kroll Investment Banking

Farzad Mukhi has spent his entire investment banking career at Kroll Investment Banking and its predecessor, Duff & Phelps. Mukhi rose through the ranks at the firm, starting as an analyst in 2005 and becoming a managing director in 2022. With over 20 years of experience, he is responsible for project execution and client management for a broad range of investment banking engagements, including sell side and buy-side transactions, leveraged buyouts, divestitures, recapitalizations, debt and equity financings and strategic alternative reviews.

Mukhi is a trusted advisor to business owners and is highly skilled at executing M&A transactions on their behalf. He serves a diverse clientele.



LEO MUÑOZ

Industry Executive, Food, Agriculture & Beverage Group
Western Alliance Bank

Leo Muñoz has built a distinguished 28-year banking career defined by deep industry expertise. Today, Muñoz is industry executive for Western Alliance's Food, Agriculture and Beverage Group, leading a specialized commercial banking team that serves companies across California and nationally.

Muñoz's clients span middle-market companies, family/closely held businesses, foreign-owned and sponsor-backed companies and venture-backed enterprises, with needs ranging from crop production and working capital financing to equipment, real estate, treasury management and deposits.

Leadership is measured by the difference we make.

Saaid El-Hendi, Gene Dunford, Susan Pogosian, Arlet Hur, and Armida Colmenares-Stafford have been recognized among the Los Angeles Business Journal's Top 100 Bankers. We're proud of their accomplishments and grateful for the leadership and commitment they bring to the Los Angeles business community every day.

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JOHN MURILLO

Community Bank President
Enterprise Bank & Trust

John Murillo continues to build upon an already distinguished career in financial services, currently serving as community bank president for Enterprise Bank & Trust in Los Angeles. After serving as SVP, market president, for more than three years, the bank created Murillo's current role to capitalize on his ability to foster greater community impact through client relationships and enterprises' professional and civic involvements.

With a successful track record of nearly 40 years in financial services, Murillo maintains a strong foundation in community-oriented banking. He has cultivated an extensive and strong track record in managing and developing teams, and focusing on community impact through his professional work.



STEVE O'CONNELL

President; Chief Executive Officer
California Credit Union

Steve O'Connell, president and CEO of California Credit Union, exemplifies purpose-driven leadership, combining strong financial performance with meaningful community impact and a clear long-term vision for the future of financial services. Under his leadership, California Credit Union has undergone transformational growth, strengthened financial performance and significantly expanded its reach and impact across Southern California.

O'Connell has guided the organization to nearly $5.4 billion in assets and over 200,000 members, while maintaining a disciplined focus on operational excellence, risk management and sustainable growth.



JONATHAN OSBORN

Senior Vice President, Entertainment & Media Group
Western Alliance Bank

Jonathan Osborn is senior vice president of the LA-based Entertainment & Media Group, a specialized banking group launched in late 2021 within Western Alliance Bank, a national commercial bank. He leads eight team members – a focused, highly productive vertical for Western Alliance, which has specialized banking groups in 30+ industries, has more than $90 billion in assets.

From its 2021 start through mid-2026, the Entertainment Banking group has underwritten more than $2.5 billion in commitments. Since his arrival two and a half years ago, Osborn has personally extended $600 million in financing.

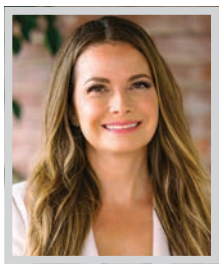


CHRISTOPHER PARK

Managing Director
Intrepid Investment Bankers

Christopher Park has nearly 30 years of combined investment banking and technology experience and is a leader in Southern California's software M&A community. A number of operating experiences have given him firsthand insight into how enterprise technology is developed, implemented, and used by global organizations.

Today, Park is managing director and head of software & services at Intrepid. He leads one of the firm's active industry practices and advises technology companies, founders, boards, and financial sponsors on mergers and acquisitions and capital-raising transactions. Under his leadership, the practice has developed into a nationally recognized middle-market advisory platform.



MICHELE PICCIRILLO

Executive Market Director
Citizens Private Bank

Michele Piccirillo was tapped by Citizens Bank to lead the bank's expansion to LA, leading a team of 25. The new role has demanded a major transition from traditionally serving her own clients to wearing many hats, making sure the whole team has hit the ground running, while getting the brand out.

Piccirillo's impact on her clients is both measurable and deeply personal. She provides clarity in moments that require decisive action – whether structuring complex real estate transactions, advising founders on liquidity events, or helping clients navigate shifting interest rate environments. Her ability to simplify complexity and deliver actionable strategies has made her a trusted advisor across a wide spectrum of industries.

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Christine Alexander
SVP, Private Banking
Market Manager-MLO



Rana Ayyad
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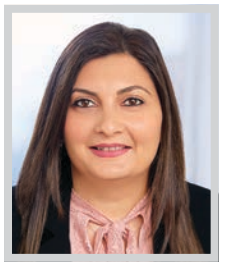
Joe Lim
EVP, Commercial
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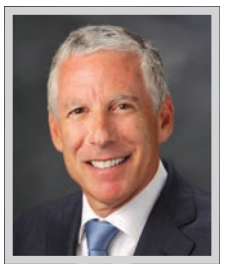


SUSAN POGOSIAN

Senior Vice President; Middle Market Manager
Columbia Bank

Susan Pogosian's 27-year career in banking reflects her exceptional leadership, passion for helping local businesses and commitment to developing the next generation of banking professionals. Beginning as a part-time teller, she steadily advanced her career through multiple roles in retail banking, business banking, and commercial banking, acquiring a comprehensive understanding of the industry from the ground up.

At Columbia Bank, Pogosian leads a team of middle market relationship managers across Southern California, supporting companies with complex lending, treasury management, working capital optimization, and broader capital needs.

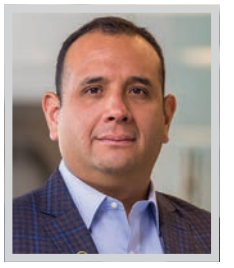


BENNETT POZIL

Executive Vice President; Head of Corporate Banking
East West Bank

Bennett Pozil leads East West Bank's US commercial banking business, encompassing many of the bank's specialized industries, including entertainment, new media, sponsor finance and cross border. He also oversees all of the bank's Asia-based branches and representative offices.

An established entertainment industry expert, Pozil is a frequent speaker and panelist throughout Asia, appearing at numerous summits, including the BOAO Forum for Asia, the Beijing International Film Festival, Shanghai International Film Festival, the Silk Road Conference in Xian and the Asia TV Forum in Singapore. Pozil is also a lecturer and adjunct professor at the Beijing Film Academy.

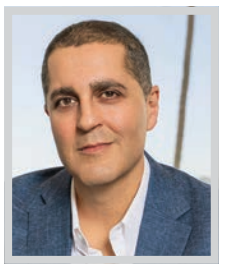


CARLOS RAMOS

Executive Vice President; Middle Market Banking Group Leader
Banc of California

Carlos Ramos is executive vice president and Middle Market Banking Group leader at Banc of California, where he leads a high-performing team dedicated to helping middle-market businesses achieve their strategic goals through customized financing solutions. With more than 20 years of global commercial banking experience, he has built a reputation as a trusted advisor, accomplished lender and team builder.

Ramos continues to play an important leadership role at Banc of California, helping clients grow while strengthening one of Southern California's leading commercial banking franchises.

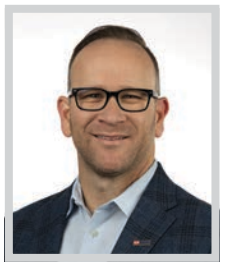


SHERVIN RASHTI

CEO; Founder
SLIM Capital, LLC

Shervin Rashti is a prominent figure in the independent lending industry and a pioneer behind many of the processes and standards that define it today. He began his career as an entrepreneur over 30 years ago in the technology space, building a full service internet and media distribution kiosk software company. He later pivoted to finance.

In 2008, Shervin founded Maxim Commercial Capital, an independent, largely collateral based lending company. He exited in 2016 to found SLIM Capital, marrying his technology background with his finance experience to become one of the industry's early technology pioneers. Over the past 10 years, he has grown SLIM into a leading independent lender.



ERIC RACUSIN

Senior Vice President; Business Banking Regional Executive
U.S. Bank

Eric Racusin is known for the breadth of his leadership, his understanding of the businesses he serves and his commitment to developing the next generation of banking professionals. Before entering financial services, Racusin led marketing, brand positioning, go-to-market strategy and government contracting for a private manufacturing company. That experience gave him firsthand insight into the decisions, pressures and growth opportunities facing business owners.

During his 17-year career at U.S. Bank, Racusin has progressed through a series of increasingly influential leadership positions. Today, he is the business banking regional executive for California.

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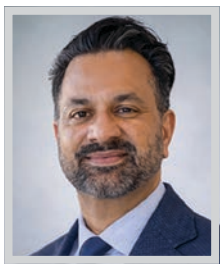
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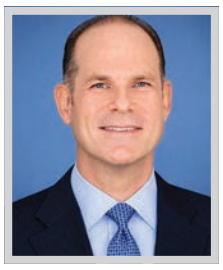


CHAD REDDY

Market Executive - West, Citi Private Bank North America
Citi Wealth

Chad Reddy brings nearly three decades of California private banking leadership to his role as market executive – west for Citi Private Bank (part of Citi Wealth.) He has spent his career supporting clients entirely in the state's most competitive ultra-high-net-worth markets.

In April 2026, Reddy joined Citi Private Bank to lead the US West Region, overseeing four offices – Beverly Hills, Orange County, San Francisco and Silicon Valley. His trajectory – from advisor to market leader to regional head of one of the industry's most storied private banks – reflects both deep technical expertise and a track record of building teams and infrastructure that scale.



CHRISTOPHER ROBERTS

Managing Director, PNC Capital Markets LLC
PNC Bank

Christopher Roberts is known for his exceptional career in public finance and his longstanding commitment to helping public-sector and nonprofit organizations access innovative, cost-effective capital solutions. For more than three decades, Roberts has established himself as a trusted advisor and industry leader, structuring and delivering complex financings that have enabled critical infrastructure investment and economic development across communities nationwide.

Roberts has specialized in meeting the funding needs of nonprofit organizations, municipal electric utilities, water and wastewater systems, and state and local governments.

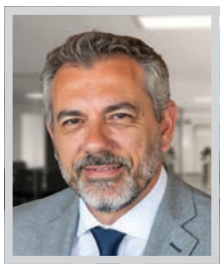


ROBERT RODRIGUEZ

Senior Vice President; Director of Sales
MidFirst Bank

Robert Rodriguez's career is a powerful example of what banking can be when experience, integrity, and service come together. Over nearly 28 years, he has grown from his first role as a teller to senior vice president leading Commercial Banking sales at MidFirst Bank. That journey gives him a deep respect for every part of the banking profession and a first-hand understanding of how trust is earned, relationships are built, and clients are served with purpose.

In his current role, Rodriguez builds long-term relationships with family-owned middle-market companies, helping owners and leadership teams navigate growth, transition, and complex financial needs with thoughtful guidance.



STEPHEN ROSSI

Senior Managing Director; Head of Investment Banking
Palm Tree LLC

Stephen Rossi is senior managing director and leads the investment banking service line at Palm Tree, which helps clients position their businesses, structure acquisitions, and divestitures, run targeted strategic processes, and raise capital. Over the course of his nearly three-decade career, Rossi has led M&A deals, business operations, and capital markets and investment banking solutions – a unique range of experience that gives him multifaceted perspectives on strategic business events. Rossi is also the co-founder and head of Palm Tree's Investment Bank, Palm Tree Securities.

Throughout Rossi's career, he has led or supported over 100 acquisitions and restructurings.



BONNIE RUBIN

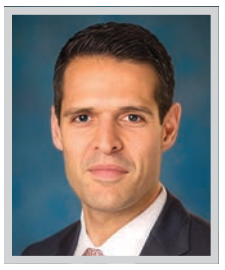
Executive Managing Director
MidFirst Bank

Bonnie Rubin represents the rare combination of long-standing industry expertise, trusted client advisory, commercial banking leadership, and hands-on relationship management. With more than 35 years in banking and more than 20 years with the organization, Rubin has built a career defined by integrity, responsiveness, and the ability to help clients navigate increasingly complex financial needs.

Rubin leads teams of bankers who deliver relationship-based deposit and lending solutions to clients across the commercial, private, real estate, professional, and entertainment communities. She is responsible not only for overseeing client strategy and team performance, but also for staying directly involved with clients herself.



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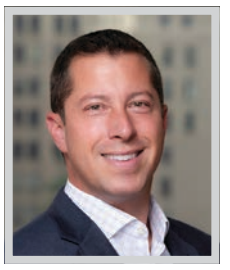


SIAMAK SAIDI

Managing Director; Region Manager, Greater Los Angeles Area
J.P. Morgan Commercial Bank

Siamak Saidi started his career in commercial banking nearly 30 years ago. After obtaining an MBA and building solid relationships with business leaders, he made the decision to transition to corporate banking at Wells Fargo, where he supported large corporate businesses. He successfully established new markets and grew of the bank's largest relationships with a distinct focus on value creation at the client level.

Saidi established the Mid-Corporate segment within Commercial Banking, with a focus to the Pacific Region. In January, Saidi took on a role at J.P. Morgan as region manager of Los Angeles for Commercial Banking, also leading the firm's Mid-Corporate Segment.

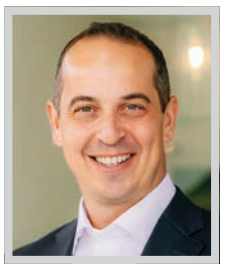


DEREK SCHOFIELD

SVP; Regional Manager
Fifth Third Bank, National Association

Derek Schofield is a highly respected commercial banking leader with more than 20 years of experience serving middle market and corporate clients throughout Southern California. As group manager for Los Angeles South Middle Market Banking and Financial Sponsors Coverage at Comerica Bank, a division of Fifth Third Bank, N.A., Schofield has built a reputation as a trusted advisor to business owners, financial sponsors, and management teams, helping companies navigate growth, acquisitions, capital investments, and changing economic conditions.

Schofield's expertise spans team leadership, commercial lending, treasury management, and risk management, enabling him to deliver strategic financial solutions.



TONY SCIARRINO

Head, US Commercial Bank
BMO

Tony Sciarrino has built a reputation as a trusted and respected banking leader, with more than three decades of experience building high-performing teams, deep client relationships and successful commercial banking franchises. In 2025, he was appointed head of the US Commercial Bank at BMO, where he is responsible for strategy, growth and financial performance. In this role, he leads nearly 3,000 employees serving clients across middle market banking, treasury and payment solutions, commercial real estate, investment banking and a broad range of specialized industries.

Sciarrino's career reflects a consistent record of growth and leadership. Since joining BMO, he has accelerated investment across key US markets.



DAVID SHAHEEN

Managing Director; Head, Media & Communications, Global Corporate Banking
J.P. Morgan

For more than three decades, David Shaheen has worked at the intersection of finance, media, sports, entertainment, and communications, earning a reputation as a trusted adviser and connector – often called when the stakes are highest. He joined the firm in 1993 and the entertainment team in 1995, building a career defined by helping leaders navigate pivotal moments in the formation, growth, or disposition of their businesses.

Since 2009, Shaheen has stewarded and expanded J.P. Morgan's presence across the sports, media, entertainment, and communications landscape, broadening leadership across the content ecosystem.



AARON SOLGANICK

CEO; Founder
Solganick & Co.

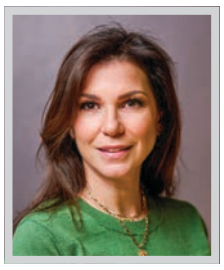
Aaron Solganick is the CEO and founder of Solganick & Co., a technology-focused investment banking and M&A advisory firm with offices in Los Angeles, Dallas, San Francisco, and Boston. Since founding the firm in 2009, Solganick has built Solganick & Co. into a recognized leader in sell-side and buy-side advisory for software and IT services companies, with deep specialization across cloud computing, cybersecurity, systems integrators, managed services, and data analytics and artificial intelligence.

Solganick has guided founder-owned and majority-shareholder-led technology companies – typically in the $10 million to $250 million revenue range – through complex M&A transactions.





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SINDY SPIVAK

Senior Vice President, Community Development Bank; West Region Executive
Bank of America

Sindy Spivak is senior vice president, West Region executive for Bank of America's Community Development Bank, overseeing the financing of affordable housing. Based in Los Angeles and with over 30 years of commercial real estate and finance experience, Spivak leads a team of more than 20 community development bankers who provide financial solutions to create and preserve quality affordable multi-family housing developments across the West.

Over the past five years, Spivak and her team have delivered more than $9.6 billion in financing to create and preserve approximately 16,000 quality, affordable housing units in 137 western communities.



URSULA ST. GEME

Executive Vice President; Senior Regional Director
California Bank & Trust

With an analytical perspective shaped by her degree from the USC Viterbi School of Engineering, Ursula St. Geme has spent more than 20 years driving middle-market banking growth and structuring sophisticated debt capital transactions for California Bank & Trust. At CB&T, she has helped to finance projects with lasting local significance, from supermarket expansions and fast-food acquisitions to nonprofit capital projects and education-related improvements.

St. Geme serves as executive vice president and senior regional director, leading a Los Angeles-based team of relationship managers, portfolio managers, and analysts.



JALAL TABY

Senior Vice President; Regional Manager, Middle Market Banking
Fifth Third Bank, National Association

With 23 years of experience in commercial banking, Jalal Taby has built a distinguished career serving middle market companies and helping businesses achieve their growth objectives through strategic financial solutions. Throughout his career, he has progressed from credit analyst to senior leadership roles in commercial banking, developing expertise in relationship management, business development, credit underwriting and talent development.

As a longtime leader with Comerica Bank, a division of Fifth Third, N.A., Taby has earned a reputation as a trusted advisor to privately held companies, entrepreneurs and financial sponsors across Southern California.

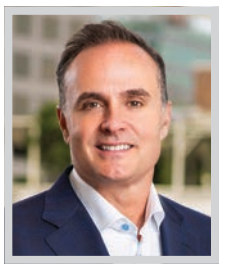


JAHAN WANG

EVP; Head, Entertainment & Sports Banking
City National Bank

JaHan Wang leads the Entertainment & Sports Banking division at City National Bank, where he oversees a team dedicated to meeting the unique financial needs of clients across industries including film and television, music, Broadway, sports, business management, multi-family offices, and the creator economy.

Wang has more than 30 years of banking experience. He began his career as a relationship banker at JPMorgan's Mid-Corporate Banking. He joined City National in 2007 as a vice president and senior credit officer. In 2021, he was named senior vice president and East Coast regional manager for Entertainment Banking.



BRANDON WILLIAMS

Executive Vice President; Head, Private Bank and Wealth Management
City National Bank

Brandon Williams is executive vice president and head of Private Bank & Wealth Management at City National Bank. He leads the City National's Private Bank and Wealth Management businesses, including RBC Rochdale, RBC Securities, Trust & Estate Services, and Advisory Services.

Williams has more than 25 years of experience building and leading high-performing teams. He joined City National in January 2016 to lead the bank's East Coast Private Bank business and expansion strategy, focused on helping high-net-worth individuals and families, professional service firms and nonprofit organizations achieve their unique financial goals.

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ANDREW WILLIAMSON

Managing Director
Calabasas Capital

Andrew Williamson has over 20 years of experience in investment banking and corporate development in addition to CFO and operating management roles in private equity and venture capital backed companies. He brings more than 25 years focused on growth stage companies advising entrepreneurs and investors in aerospace and defense, software and technology. At Calabasas Capital, Williamson specializes in mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, leveraged recapitalizations and growth capital financings in technology and aerospace and defense.

Williamson was previously CFO of the Merex Group and Kellstrom Defense (now All Clear Aerospace & Defense), a private equity backed aerospace and defense business.

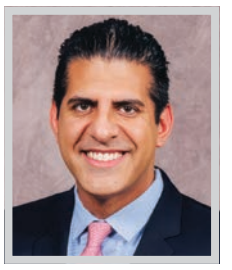


DELANE WILLIS-YSAGUIRRE

Private Bank Office Manager, Beverly Hills; Vice President
Citizens Private Bank

Delane Willis-Ysaguirre has built a distinguished banking career spanning multiple decades, progressing through increasingly senior leadership and client-facing roles within private banking. Prior to joining Citizens Private Bank, Willis-Ysaguirre held leadership positions including district manager and relationship manager, developing extensive expertise in serving affluent individuals, families, and business owners.

In her current role, Willis-Ysaguirre helps oversee office operations, supports relationship management teams, and contributes to delivering a high-touch private banking experience for clients with complex financial needs.



MAZ YAFEH

Managing Director, Regional Investment Banking
Bank of America

Maz Yafeh is the longest-tenured member of Bank of America's Regional Investment Banking (RIBK) group, which now consists of more than 200 bankers nationwide and represents one of the fastest growth areas across all of BofA's institutional businesses. He is a managing director and leads the bank's Los Angeles Global Investment Banking office and West Coast RIBK group.

During Yafeh's tenure heading the Los Angeles Global Investment Banking office, BofA has grown to become the largest bulge-bracket bank in the LA market with over 40 investment bankers covering companies across all major industries.

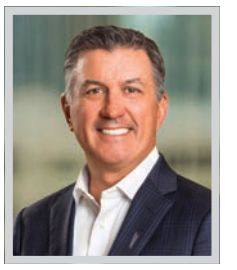


PETER YANG

Executive Vice President; Regional President
Hanmi Bank

As executive vice president and regional president of Hanmi Bank, Peter Kyu Yang helps drive growth across the bank's California operations while maintaining a strong focus on client service, credit quality, and long-term relationships. Early in his career, he discovered that banking provided an opportunity to make a meaningful impact by helping entrepreneurs access capital, navigate financial challenges, and build long-term stability. Those experiences shaped the relationship-focused approach that continues to guide his leadership today.

Since joining Hanmi Bank in 2013, Yang has played an important role in the bank's growth and performance across California.

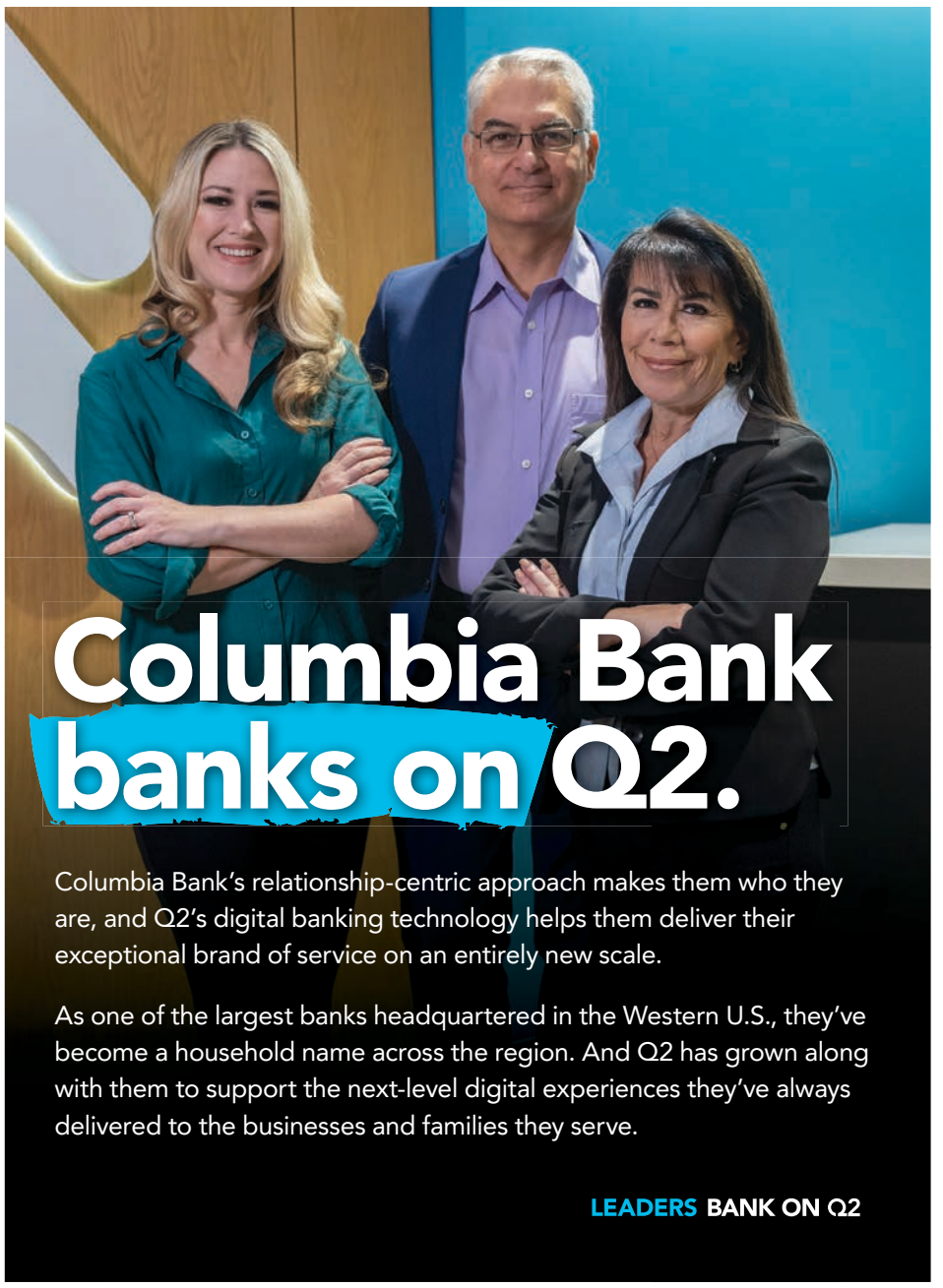


JOE YUROSEK

President, Commercial Banking
City National Bank

Joe Yurosek is president of Commercial Banking at City National Bank, directly overseeing Capital Markets, Middle Market Banking, Commercial Real Estate Banking, Specialty Banking, First American Equipment Finance, Credit Solutions and Commercial Banking Products teams.

Yurosek brings more than 30 years of financial services industry experience and a solid track record of delivering results. Most recently, he served as the regional president, Western Markets, at Fifth Third Bank, where he previously led the regional banking expansions in California, the Mountain West and Texas. Before joining Fifth Third, Yurosek held leadership roles at Comerica Bank.



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NATIONAL BANK OF THE YEAR HONOREE

FIFTH THIRD BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Fifth Third Bank has distinguished itself through a combination of industry-leading performance, innovation, responsible growth, and a commitment to helping clients and communities thrive. Following its merger with Comerica in 2026, Fifth Third became the ninth-largest bank in the United States, with greater scale, expanded growth opportunities, and additional capacity to invest in products, technology and markets that can drive long-term value for customers, communities and shareholders.

Fifth Third's strategy has focused on disciplined organic growth, selective M&A and sustained investment in capabilities that deepen customer relationships. The Bank has expanded its branch network in high-growth markets, strengthened its middle-market banking platform and continued to scale fee-based businesses, including Commercial Payments and Wealth & Asset Management.

Technology-led innovation also remains central to Fifth Third's growth strategy. The bank has continued to enhance its digital banking experience, expand embedded payments through Newline by Fifth Third and use scalable platforms to support customers while creating capacity for future investment.

Fifth Third's success is rooted in a relationship-based banking model that combines national scale with local decision-making and industry expertise. In California, the bank has continued to expand its capabilities across commercial banking, wealth and asset management, commercial payments, capital markets, and specialized industry verticals. This approach allows Fifth Third to deliver comprehensive financial solutions while maintaining strong connections to the businesses and communities it serves.

Through its national recognition, innovative capabilities, expanded scale, ethical leadership, and client-focused execution, Fifth Third Bank exemplifies the qualities of a National Bank of the Year.

REGIONAL BANK OF THE YEAR HONOREE

BANC OF CALIFORNIA

At a time of significant consolidation in regional banking, Banc of California has emerged as something rare: a scaled, independent regional bank headquartered in Los Angeles and built around serving the businesses that drive its economy. Banc of California is now the largest independent bank headquartered in Los Angeles and the third largest bank headquartered in California.

This year, Banc of California took signage on a prominent downtown building (865 S. Figueroa St.) and is moving its colleagues into the newly remodeled space when so many companies are fleeing downtown for Century City and other locations. Banc of California's growth in downtown Los Angeles follows recent expansions in Beverly Hills and New York City. In March, it expanded its corporate office in Beverly Hills, with signage atop a landmark building at 9701 Wilshire Blvd.

Banc of California as it is today started with one of the most transformational banking mergers from the 2023 regional banking crisis. The smaller Banc of California stepped forward to combine with the larger PacWest Bancorp in a privately funded transaction that helped stabilize PacWest without government funds. The merger preserved hundreds of jobs and more than 20 offices and branches. Since then, Banc of California has become even stronger. Earnings, loans and deposits all rose and the bank reinforced its position as a relationship-focused bank serving small, middle-market and venture-backed businesses.

Following the devastating wildfires in January 2025, Banc of California committed $1 million to Steadfast LA's Small Business Initiative, providing direct grants of up to $50,000 to independent businesses in fire-affected communities.

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SLIM CAPITAL
Simplified Finance Solutions

INNOVATION IN BANKING AWARD HONOREE

SLIM CAPITAL, LLC

Since its inception, SLIM Capital has been at the forefront of the technology space. Over the last three years, SLIM has built out a full service suite of tools that carries a raw deal from entry through funding with streamlined processes and workflows: The SLIM Suite. The tools include AI powered deal onboarding, underwriting and credit analysis, partner facing custom-built portals, KYC, fraud markers, pricing tools, and API integrations with a range of providers, among others.

At its core, every single tool within the broader suite is iterative with a solid user feedback loop. This allows SLIM to build every tool for the people who will use it, making it inherently accessible and simple for most of SLIM's partners. While overengineered and complicated solutions are more common in an already saturated market with low barriers to entry, SLIM Capital built its entire suite deliberately and with intention for its internal team exclusively, but as more of its front end deployments were released, there was large interest in what was being created.

The SLIM Suite democratizes access to technology in the industry, providing access to new and fast solutions along with an extensive knowledge base. Customers aren't restricted to buying the full suite but rather are able to select which tools and processes would benefit them most and then add on to those. These solutions are custom and malleable, designed to plug into dynamic processes. The SLIM Suite continues to be developed and enhanced, now with a full overseas developer team as SLIM grows its robust technology offerings.



SMALL BUSINESS ALLY AWARD HONOREE

U.S. BANK

U.S. Bank combines access to capital with advice, education, community partnerships and a long-term commitment to the success of entrepreneurs. From 2022 through 2023, U.S. Bank approved $72 million in SBA loans in the Los Angeles market and has consistently ranked among the leading SBA lenders in the Los Angeles District. Its SBA platform provides 7(a), 504 and SBA Express solutions that can support working capital, equipment purchases, business acquisitions and owner-occupied commercial real estate.

The bank's support extends beyond lending. U.S. Bank Access Business provides information, connections and resources to help small business owners sustain and grow their companies. Business Access Advisors help entrepreneurs understand local resources, prepare to access capital and build relationships with business networks and service providers. The Los Angeles area is home to dedicated Business Access Advisors who combine U.S. Bank expertise with nonprofit and community resources, particularly for businesses in the early stages of development.

U.S. Bank also invests directly in the ecosystem that supports entrepreneurs. In 2025, U.S. Bank and the U.S. Bank Foundation contributed more than $17 million to organizations in Greater Los Angeles and Orange County, including partners supporting small business technical assistance, access to capital and wildfire recovery. The bank committed $3.7 million to 10 organizations focused on housing and small business recovery following the Los Angeles wildfires.

This integrated model makes U.S. Bank a true ally, financing businesses when they are ready for capital, helping early-stage entrepreneurs build readiness, investing in community organizations and maintaining branches where bankers can provide personalized guidance.

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COMMUNITY IMPACT BANK OF THE YEAR HONOREE

CITY NATIONAL BANK

Since opening its doors in 1954, City National has believed in the power of relationships to uplift and strengthen communities. The bank proudly invests in the dreams of first-time homebuyers, supports local businesses, and champions programs that help empower individuals and communities to thrive for generations. This commitment goes beyond banking; it's part of a greater vision – to equip people with the tools to make informed financial choices. That's why City National supports educational programs that provide today's youth with a strong foundation for future success.

From its signature Dollars + Sense financial education program to its Reading is the Way Up literacy program, City National is dedicated to helping provide people with the education they need to succeed financially in today's world.

City National is guided by its mission to help clients thrive and communities prosper, and support them in building healthier, more connected communities. In 2025 alone, the bank contributed nearly $11 million to nonprofits supporting local communities, including nearly $7 million to nonprofits in Los Angeles County. But at City National, corporate philanthropy isn't simply writing a check. Bank colleagues logged more than 40,000 volunteer hours in the community in 2025 alone, supporting education programs, sustainability projects, affordable housing initiatives and economic development.

Over the past four years, City National also financed and invested approximately $1.1 billion in affordable housing, creating or preserving approximately 28,700 affordable units of transitional housing, permanent housing, and workforce rental housing – including $215 million to the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles for the creation of 9,700 affordable units.

LEADERSHIP IN EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT HONOREE

ENTERPRISE BANK & TRUST

With a strong belief that its role in the community goes far beyond banking transactions, Enterprise Bank & Trust seeks out unique and impactful ways to improve the communities it serves. This includes efforts from individual team members and larger companywide initiatives as part of the bank's employee development efforts. All employees are encouraged to join together for company initiatives that include a recurring fall fundraising drive for local United Way chapters, the annual Pedal the Cause cycling event to support cancer research, and volunteer partnerships with organizations including Ronald McDonald House locations in Los Angeles.

Such community efforts include affordable housing projects, economic development, belonging and inclusion, education, philanthropy, volunteerism and green initiatives that make a tangible and measurable impact in Los Angeles and the surrounding region. To support these initiatives, Enterprise partners with organizations whose efforts and values are aligned with its own.

Enterprise employees regularly volunteer for Beyond Blindness, an organization providing early intervention services to visually impaired children, including speech and physical therapy, education programs and monthly family enrichment activities. Beyond Blindness serves approximately 500 children in Southern California and Enterprise has become a consistent partner of the organization.

Enterprise further demonstrates its commitment to economic empowerment through key partnerships. It collaborates with Working Wardrobes, supporting its career success events and assisting individuals with professional attire for job interviews. The bank's local team continued its commitment to education by partnering with Junior Achievement. Employees regularly volunteer to teach financial literacy, share insights into the banking industry and answer students' questions about potential career paths.