



## **JOE MOODY JOINS WESTSTAR AS SENIOR COUNSEL**

September 11, 2019 (El Paso, TX) – WestStar announced today that Joe Moody will join the company as Senior Counsel, beginning September 3, 2019.

“We are pleased to have Joe join our senior leadership team. His leadership experience, insight, and knowledge of the law will be of tremendous benefit,” said L. Frederick (Rick) Francis, WestStar Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. “We are confident of his ability to contribute to our long-term success.”

As Senior Counsel, Moody will become a critical part of the legal team that advises bank leadership, handling transactional issues, regulatory compliance, due diligence, and related legal matters.

“Joe brings a strong legal background to his new role and a deep commitment to public service and a history of civic leadership,” said David W. Osborn, WestStar President and COO.

Moody serves as Speaker Pro Tempore for the Texas House of Representatives and as general counsel for the House Democratic Caucus. He has served as a prosecutor at the El Paso County District Attorney’s Office before entering private practice where he served as managing partner at the firm of Moody & Sahualla in El Paso.

Moody received a B.A. degree from New Mexico State University, and earned a J.D. from Texas Tech University School of Law. He is a member of the El Paso Probate Bar Association.

Moody is currently a member of various organizations such as the House Democratic Caucus, Mexican-American Legislative Caucus, Women’s Health Caucus, Texas House LGBTQ Caucus, Legislative Study Group, and El Paso Children’s Hospital Giving Heart Ambassadors Fund. Moody is a former ex officio member for Judicial Commission on Mental Health and the Texas Indigent Defense Commission.

### **About WestStar**

WestStar is a locally owned community bank with assets of more than \$1.8 billion. Servicing the El Paso, Las Cruces, and northern Mexico area (collectively known as the Borderplex region), it provides businesses and retail consumers local access to a broad array of banking, wealth management, insurance, and title services. Additionally, WestStar team members serve on over 75 boards and committees of nonprofit and civic organizations and participate in a wide range of community betterment efforts and philanthropic causes. For more information, visit the WestStar website at [weststarbank.com](http://weststarbank.com).

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