



RAYMOND BAER NAMED WESTSTAR CHIEF LENDING OFFICER

July 16, 2019 (El Paso, TX) – WestStar is pleased to announce the addition of Raymond Baer as Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer. Raymond is a member of the bank's executive management team and will have direct oversight and responsibility for the bank's lending activity. He will lead a team of approximately 30 experienced bankers comprised of commercial, construction, consumer lending, as well as personal bankers.

With over 38 years of banking experience, Raymond is a seasoned executive and proven leader. He began his banking career in 1981 serving for 24 years in the El Paso, TX and Las Cruces, NM markets. Most recently, Raymond served as a Regional Manager for a major national bank responsible for the business banking teams in the state of Arizona.

During his career, Raymond has been an active member of the community serving on boards in El Paso, Tempe, Arizona, Tucson, Arizona and Seattle, Washington.

Raymond is a graduate of New Mexico State University with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance.

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.

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