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JO-ANN HENRY NAMED FDIC DIRECTOR OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

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FDIC Deputy to the Chairman and Chief Operating Officer Dennis F. Geer announced today the selection of Jo-Ann Henry as the Corporation's Director of Equal Opportunity.

As head of the FDIC's Office of Equal Opportunity, Ms. Henry will be responsible for ensuring that minorities and women have the maximum opportunity to participate in FDIC contracting and legal engagements, ensuring equal employment opportunities within the FDIC and managing the Corporation's related programs.

"Jo-Ann Henry is exceptionally qualified to serve as the FDIC's Director of Equal Opportunity," said Mr. Geer. "She not only has a distinguished record as a top-level manager, but solid experience with equal opportunity and administrative policy issues. She has the competence, sensitivity and sense of fairness needed to serve as an outstanding advocate for equal opportunity at the FDIC."

Ms. Henry joined the FDIC on January 1, 1996, as the Division of Supervision's Assistant Director for Administration. In this position, she has managed the division's administrative programs and overseen its policies to improve organizational effectiveness.

Prior to coming to the FDIC, Ms. Henry served with the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC). From 1993 through 1995, she was the RTC's Vice President for Administration, with responsibility for a wide range of administrative policies and services, including human resources, organizational analysis, ombudsman programs and facilities and logistics management. From 1991 to 1993, she served as Director of Human Resources Management. In this capacity, she established and staffed the RTC's first personnel office and carried out its human resources policies and programs.



Congress created the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in 1933 to restore public confidence in the nation's banking system. It promotes the safety and soundness of these institutions by identifying, monitoring and addressing risks to which they are exposed. The FDIC receives no federal tax dollars — insured financial institutions fund its operations.

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As Director of Personnel for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) from 1986 to 1991, Ms. Henry directed and developed EEOC human resources programs and activities. From 1982 to 1986, she served in a succession of posts with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, including as Acting Associate Director for Human Resources, where she organized and directed the OCC's recruitment and staffing programs.

Ms. Henry received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from the University of California at Los Angeles, a Master of Arts degree in Urban Studies from Howard University, Washington, D.C., and a Master of Public Administration degree from Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. She lives in Rockville, Maryland, with her husband, William Cardoza; they have two grown sons, Justin and Jared.