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FDIC Announces Retirement of Office of Minority and Women Inclusion Director D. Michael "Mickey" Collins

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D. Michael "Mickey" Collins, Director of the Office of Minority and Women Inclusion (OMWI), has announced his retirement from the FDIC effective August 3, 2013. Mr. Collins has served in this position since 1999. Melodee Brooks, OMWI Senior Deputy Director, has been named the Acting Director of OMWI.

"Mickey has been a strong and effective advocate for diversity and inclusion in the policies and practices of business operations at the FDIC," said FDIC Chairman Martin J. Gruenberg. "His important work has expanded both the diversity of our workforce and increased the participation of minority and women owned businesses, law firms and investors in the FDIC's business activities."

During his tenure, Mr. Collins led the implementation of the FDIC's first corporate Diversity Strategic Plan, which included the Mentoring Program, the Corporate Recruitment Program, the WorkLife Program, Telework and the Diversity Education Series.

Prior to joining the FDIC, Mr. Collins had a long and distinguished career in the United States Air Force. A graduate of the ROTC program at Howard University, he served more than 21 years, retiring in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in 1992. He subsequently served for five years as the Air Force Deputy for Equal Opportunity.

Ms. Brooks joined the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in January 2012 from the Office of the Secretary at the Department of the Interior. Ms. Brooks served as the



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Deputy Assistant Secretary for Workforce Diversity, implementing the Interior Department's first Diversity Strategic Plan that directed diversity recruitment, retention, training, fair treatment, and accountability efforts covering 72,000 employees, 200,000 volunteers, and several thousand contract employees across the United States. She has over 27 years of experience in implementing equal employment opportunity, affirmative employment, diversity, and civil rights programs.

Ms. Brooks holds a Masters of Science Degree in Legal Studies with an emphasis in Employment Law from Antioch University School of Law, and a Bachelors of Science Degree in Organizational Psychology from James Madison University.

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