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Alliance Bank Promotes Warren Forsythe to Senior Vice President, Special Assets Manager

(PHOENIX) - Alliance Bank announced today that Warren Forsythe has been promoted to Senior Vice President, Special Assets Manager. Forsythe, who joined Alliance Bank in 2010, manages the bank's special assets department in Arizona and Northern Nevada.

According to Jim Lundy, CEO of Alliance Bank of Arizona, "Forsythe has made an exceptional contribution to the bank changing our credit metrics, and playing a leadership role to special assets resolutions."

Forsythe received a BS in Finance from Arizona State University, where he graduated Cum Laude. He is active in the community and is a member of the Phoenix 20/30 Club. He previously served as a volunteer for Arizona Friends of Foster Children, the Urban Land Institute and the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties.

Forsythe may be reached directly at WForsythe@alliancebankofarizona.com, at (602) 797-3697, or in person at the Phoenix office located at 2701 E. Camelback Road.

About Alliance Bank
Founded in 2003, Alliance Bank of Arizona quickly became one of the fastest growing new banks in the country and is a division of Phoenix-based Western Alliance Bank with assets of $2.6 billion. Western Alliance Bank operates nine offices in Arizona and seven offices in Northern Nevada. Its parent company, Western Alliance Bancorporation, also headquartered in Phoenix, is one of the largest regional bank holding companies in the Southwest with assets of $7.6 billion. Western Alliance Bank serves businesses, entrepreneurs, professionals, nonprofit organizations, and consumers seeking the robust product array of a national bank with the individual, personal attention of a community bank, delivered through experienced, local Relationship Managers.