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Tara Alford to Lead CapStar's Retail and Private Banking

Former Fifth Third Senior VP elected Executive Vice President

NASHVILLE, TN– August 13, 2013. CapStar President and Chief Executive Officer Claire W. Tucker and Chief Operating Officer Dan W. Hogan have hired Tara Alford to head CapStar's Retail and Private Banking divisions. As Executive Vice President over the two divisions, Alford will report to Hogan.

A native Nashvillian, Alford began her banking career at Bankers Trust Company, which was later purchased by State Street Bank. She was Director of Global Securities Services and led a large Custody division for U.S. Securities. In 2005, as CEO, Hogan hired Alford at Fifth Third Bank as Vice President, Retail Regional Manager. In that role, she managed twelve financial centers across Davidson, Williamson and Rutherford counties. In 2008, she joined the bank's Private Banking division and was later promoted to lead the group. This division subsequently became the Investment Advisors division, providing wealth planning, investment management, private banking, risk management and trust services.

"Tara brings a depth and breadth of acumen within our industry, as well as knowledge of the community. Having Tara in a leadership role within Private Banking and Retail reinforces CapStar's commitment to growth in those areas," Hogan said. "We expect Tara will help facilitate growth in other areas as well."

Alford earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Business Management from the University of Tennessee and completed the Scarlett Leadership Executive program through Belmont University. She serves on the board of the Better Business Bureau and is secretary of the board of Friends of Warner Parks. She is past board chair of the Patricia Hart Society of the United Way of Williamson County and received United Way's Leader of the Year Award in 2009. She has been the Executive Sponsor of the Fifth Third Bank Women's Business Resource Group.

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