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Charles M. Steele is Deputy Chief Counsel at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC).

As Deputy Chief Counsel, Mr. Steele supervises the OCC's Enforcement and Compliance, Litigation, Community and Consumer Law, and Administrative and Internal Law Divisions. He also supervises the OCC district counsel staffs in the OCC's Southern and Western Districts. He assumed these duties in October 2016.

Prior to joining the OCC, Mr. Steele was counsel in the Financial Institutions Group at Davis Polk & Wardwell in Washington, D.C. He focused on economic sanctions, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery enforcement, compliance and regulatory matters, as well as transaction reviews by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States. Immediately prior to that, he was a Managing Director in the Forensic Advisory Services practice at KPMG LLP, advising on economic sanctions, anti-money laundering, anti-bribery, and fraud matters.

Mr. Steele's federal government service includes a position as Associate Director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) at the U.S. Department of the Treasury, where he led OFAC's Office of Enforcement. Prior to that, he served as Deputy Director of the Treasury Department's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, and held a number of positions in the U.S. Department of Justice, including senior roles in the National Security Division.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Steele was Chief of Staff to the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and an FBI Deputy General Counsel. He began his federal legal career in U.S. Attorney's Offices in the District of Arizona and the District of Columbia, holding positions as Assistant U.S. Attorney in both offices and head of the white collar crime section in Arizona.

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