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## **Southern Security Hires New Chief Credit Officer**

*MEMPHIS, Tenn. (August XX, 2019)* – Southern Security Financial Credit Union has recently hired a new Chief Credit Officer, Melissa King.

In the new position, King is responsible for planning, organizing and directing Southern Security's lending services including mortgage, personal and auto loans. She will analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of Southern Security's lending services, while overseeing the lending team.

"We are pleased to welcome Melissa to Southern Security as our Chief Credit Officer," said Dawn Graeter, CEO of Sothern Security. "Her years of experience will be a great asset to our members."

King has been working in financial services, for banks and credit unions in Memphis, for the last 20 years and has held a wide range of positions. Most recently, King served as Vice President, Commercial Banker for Simmons Bank where she was responsible for commercial lending goals while growing new loans through relationships with key business owners.

She is very active in the Memphis community, serving as Fundraising Chair for West Fight On, the signature fundraising event for The University of Tennessee/ West Institute for Cancer Research, and has received several performance and achievement awards from the North East Shelby County Rotary Club, where she also served as President.

Southern Security Federal Credit Union is a not-for-profit financial cooperative whose mission is to help its members financially. Whether that's through providing savings options, being a lending source or simply providing convenience, each member's needs are unique. Based in Memphis, Tennessee, Southern Security serves employees of companies all over the Mid South and across the nation. It now has over 500 distinct companies that are affiliated with it, further strengthening its financial position.