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Alliance Bank names Garner executive vice president

PHOENIX – Alliance Bank of Arizona President and CEO **Jim Lundy** announced this week the promotion of **Don Garner** to executive vice president for the bank.

“Don (Garner) has been instrumental to the growth of Alliance Bank’s real estate efforts throughout the state,” said Lundy. “Since Day 1, his contributions and expertise to our bank have been invaluable.”

Garner is executive vice president and statewide manager for the bank’s commercial and residential real estate group. He has been with Alliance Bank since its inception in 2003 and has more than 25 years of real estate lending experience. Garner is an active member of both the Tucson and Phoenix communities. He is the Past President of the Tucson Conquistadores and former Chairman of LaPaloma Family Services in Tucson. He is also a member of the National Association of Industrial & Office Properties (NAIOP) and the Urban Land Institute. Garner is a native of Washington and a graduate of Eastern Washington University with a B.A. in Business Administration.

Garner is currently located at the bank’s Biltmore Park office and headquarters at 2701 E. Camelback Road in Phoenix.

Founded in 2003 in Phoenix, Alliance Bank has quickly become one of the fastest-growing banks in the nation with total assets of more than \$700 million, total deposits of \$619 million and total loans of \$504 million (as of 3/30/07). Alliance Bank is a “super community” commercial bank with local decision-making, focused on Arizona’s business, professional and real estate development community, along with individuals seeking personalized banking service. For more information, visit the Alliance Bank of Arizona web site at alliancebankofarizona.com.

Alliance Bank of Arizona is a subsidiary of Western Alliance Bancorporation, which began public trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) on June 30, 2005 under the symbol “WAL.” Western Alliance ranks as one of the most rapidly growing bank holding companies in the United States, with assets of \$4.7 billion and offices in Las Vegas, Reno, San Diego, Oakland, Phoenix, Tucson, Sedona and Flagstaff.