

BIOGRAPHIES

Ammar Askari Acting Deputy Comptroller for Community Affairs

Ammar Askari is the Acting Deputy Comptroller for Community Affairs for the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC) where he leads a division of community development professionals located in Washington, D.C., and the OCC regions.

Community Affairs provides expertise, guidance, educational resources, and organizes outreach on community development lending, services, investments, and related issues in support of the OCC's mission.

Prior to this role, Mr. Askari served as the Director for Community Affairs Outreach and supervised 12 Community Affairs Officers who serve as liaisons across the agency, OCC-supervised banks, and the community on issues related to the Community Reinvestment Act and community development in the agency's three regions.

Mr. Askari joined the OCC in 2010 as a community development expert within Community Affairs. In that role, Mr. Askari researched and authored publications informing OCC-supervised banks about federal programs and best practices in community development lending, investment, and service.

Before joining the OCC, Mr. Askari worked for nine years in the banking industry and six years in academia.

Mr. Askari received his bachelor's degree in business and economics. He has a master's degree in social and applied economics from Wright State University and master's and doctorate degrees in economics from Indiana University at Bloomington.

