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ST. LOUIS -- H. Edwin Trusheim, chairman of the board of directors of the the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, today announced the appointment of Joan P. Cronin to the position of senior vice president in charge of the banking supervision and regulation division, effective July 1. The division is responsible for the supervision and regulation of Eighth District member banks, bank holding companies, and bank mergers.

Cronin, who has served as the Bank's general counsel and secretary since 1986, succeeds Harold E. Uthoff, who will retire June 30.

Cronin joined the Bank in 1974 as a senior attorney in the legal department and was appointed to official status in 1976. She was promoted to the position of vice president, deputy general counsel and assistant secretary of the Bank in 1982 and was named general counsel and secretary four years later. Prior to coming to the Bank, she served as assistant dean at the Washington University School of Law. She holds both a

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bachelor's degree and a J.D. from Washington University in St. Louis and is a member of the Missouri Bar and the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis.

Uthoff has served in the banking supervision and regulation department for 34 years. He began his career at the Bank as an examiner and, in 1976, was named a senior vice president, the post he has held since that time. He has a bachelor's degree and a J.D. from St. Louis University and is a member of the Missouri Bar Association. He is also a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University.

"Mr. Uthoff has served the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis with distinction. He is highly regarded by Eighth District bankers, and his contributions will be missed by our Bank." Thomas C. Melzer, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, said.

The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis has branches in Louisville, Memphis and Little Rock. It serves the Eighth Federal Reserve District which includes all of Arkansas, eastern Missouri, southern Indiana and Illinois, western Kentucky and Tennessee and northern Mississippi.
