



# Press Release

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## **LEAGUE OF SOUTHEASTERN CREDIT UNIONS WELCOMES LA PINE AS PRESIDENT/CEO**

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The League of Southeastern Credit Unions (LSCU) welcomed Patrick La Pine to its Florida offices yesterday as he began his tenure as new President/CEO of the recently created organization; a result of the consolidation of the Florida and Alabama leagues. La Pine replaces retiring CEOs Guy Hood of the Florida Credit Union League and Gary Wolter of the Alabama Credit Union League.

In regard to his plans for LSCU, La Pine whom previously served as the Michigan Credit Union League's (MCUL) Executive Vice President of Association Services says he believes strongly in advocacy and service to LSCU's members.

"Everything we do as a league will begin and end with what is in the best interest of our member credit unions in mind," said La Pine. "Advocacy and Information' (legislative, regulatory/compliance, communications and education) will be the cornerstone of our new association."

La Pine will spend the first several months dividing his time between the Tallahassee and Birmingham offices to get to know staff and better understand the functions of both leagues. Town hall meetings are also being set up across both states to provide opportunities for credit unions to spend time with La Pine and meet him in a "face-to-face" setting.

"I look forward to working with staff and our members as we mold the new LSCU," said La Pine. "I start this job with two very strong and solid beliefs: a profound love for credit unions and the job they are doing every day to enrich the lives of their members; and the pride I feel in being given the opportunity to lead this organization and the people that work for it."

La Pine holds a Bachelor of Science degree in political science from Michigan State University and a Master's degree in public administration from the University of Michigan.

*(The League of Southeastern Credit Unions represents 332 Alabama and Florida credit unions with a combined total of \$55 billion in assets. LSCU is a trade association offering a myriad of services focused on meeting the current and future needs of Alabama's and Florida's credit unions.)*