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## **Kerry Wirth Promoted to Chief Operating Officer of Waterstone Mortgage**

**Pewaukee, Wis. (August 10, 2017)** – National mortgage lender Waterstone Mortgage Corporation announced Kerry Wirth has been promoted to chief operating officer, where she will be responsible for leading the company's operations departments and companywide initiatives. Wirth, who was recently recognized in *Mortgage Professional America's 2017 Elite Women* list, previously served as the company's senior vice president of loan operations.

Since joining Waterstone Mortgage as vice president of compliance in 2009, Wirth has successfully built strong support teams within the company and streamlined the mortgage loan process. She played a key role in maintaining Waterstone Mortgage's best-in-class service and exceptional turn time averages. Wirth has more than 20 years of experience working in a variety of operational roles within the mortgage lending industry.

"Kerry has been an invaluable member of our executive team and made significant contributions to our growth and success as a company," said Eric Egenhoefer, president and CEO at Waterstone Mortgage. "We will be relying heavily on her to lead our most important projects, which include leveraging automation to improve the loan process for both our corporate and branch operations teams."

### **About Waterstone Mortgage Corporation**

Waterstone Mortgage Corporation is an innovative, strong, and secure mortgage lending company that has maintained a reputation for exceptional service and competitive mortgage financing. Founded in 2000, the company has the ability to lend in 43 states.

In 2016, Waterstone Mortgage surpassed \$2.5 billion in annual loan origination volume. The company has been named to the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel's* Top Workplaces in 2014 and 2017, *National Mortgage Professional Magazine's* Top 100 Mortgage Employers, *Mortgage Executive Magazine's* Top 50 Mortgage Companies to Work For, and *Scotsman Guide's* Top Mortgage Lenders. Waterstone Mortgage was recognized as an Ellie Mae Hall of Fame Award winner in 2015, 2016, and 2017.

Headquartered in Pewaukee, Wisconsin, Waterstone Mortgage is a wholly owned subsidiary of WaterStone Bank SSB (NASDAQ: WSBF) with assets of more than \$1.8 billion. To learn more about Waterstone Mortgage, visit [www.WaterstoneMortgage.com](http://www.WaterstoneMortgage.com).

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