



JEREMIAH L. THOMAS III JOINS DLB CAPITAL AS AN ADVISORY DIRECTOR

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DLB Capital is pleased to announce that Jerry Thomas has joined the firm as an Advisory Director. Jerry will use his extensive experience and contacts to help DLB Capital manage, evaluate, and execute transactions. "We are very excited that someone of Jerry's caliber is joining to help us pursue our mission of investing in and providing advice and management to Financial Institutions", commented Doug Brown, Chairman and CEO of DLB Capital.

Prior to joining DLB Capital, Jerry Thomas was a Partner at the law firm of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP from 1979 through 2007 where he concentrated on general corporate, securities and banking law matters and was in charge of managing the firm's relationship with JPMorgan Chase. At Simpson Thacher, Jerry represented JPMorgan Chase on a regular basis in its corporate activities and as issuer's counsel for its securities issuances. He also represented major underwriters in connection with public offerings and Rule 144A/Reg S offerings of debt and equity securities by investment grade and high yield issuers in a variety of industries.

Jerry joined Simpson Thacher in 1972 and became a partner in 1979. He was a long-time member of the Firm's Executive Committee and was one of the Firm's Administrative Partners from 1992 to 1995. Mr. Thomas has served as Legal Counsel to the Metropolitan Golf Association since 1983. He is a Trustee of the Chapin School in New York City. He received his B.A. with distinction from the University of Virginia in 1968 where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and received his J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1972.