

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## JEROME SMALLING RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF JAMAICA BANKERS ASSOCIATION

On Thursday July 16, 2020, Jerome Smalling, Chief Executive Officer, JMMB Bank, was reelected, unopposed as the President of the Jamaica Bankers Association (JBA) at its Annual General Meeting.

Chorvelle Johnson Cunningham, CEO Sagicor Bank was also returned as Vice President, along with Mariame McIntosh-Robinson, President and CEO, First Global Bank, as Treasurer of the JBA, and Barbara Hume – CEO, Cornerstone Trust and Merchant Bank as Honorary Secretary.

In gracefully accepting his return to the Association's leadership position, Mr. Smalling recognized the vote of confidence in him demonstrated by the JBA's Executive Council and thanked them for their faith in his leadership. "I wish to convey my appreciation to the JBA Executive Council for their vote of confidence and continued trust in my abilities to lead this association. Together with the Executive, I will continue to lead the advancement of the JBA's mission to maintain a stable, secure, competitive and profitable financial industry. We will continue to achieve this through advocacy, education and collaboration with all stakeholders to include the general banking public, the Government of Jamaica, the regulators, private sector partners and international agencies."

Smalling joined the JMMB Group team in 2013 as the CEO of the then JMMB Merchant Bank and boasts an esteemed 25-year career in banking. His career has included tenures as Scotiabank Branch Manager, Vice President, Personal Banking at RBC Caribbean and Manager, Branch Sales Strategy Initiatives at the RBC Royal Bank's National Office in Toronto Canada. In addition, he previously served as Vice President, Jamaica Bankers Association and a Member of the Board of Directors for the Port Authority of Jamaica

The Jamaica Banker's Association (JBA) is a non-profit organization that represents commercial and merchant banks in Jamaica.

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