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Nicole Bascomb-Green named chair of state Housing Finance Commission

SEATTLE, Wash.—Real-estate and banking leader Nicole Bascomb-Green has been appointed by Governor Jay Inslee as the new chair of the Washington State Housing Finance Commission (WSHFC).

Bascomb-Green takes over the role from Chair Bill Rumpf, who remains on the Commission as a public member. The Commission's August 24 meeting will be her inaugural meeting as the Commission's new chair.

"I'm excited to step into this role with my colleagues," said Bascomb-Green. "I am very committed to the work of the Commission and very much looking forward to leading the board."



Currently head of Umpqua Bank's Community Lending Division and owner/operator of Bascomb Real Estate Group, Bascomb-Green has over 30 years of experience in the banking, real estate, and non-profit industries. In her business serving homebuyers and sellers, as well as in her extensive volunteer commitments, Bascomb-Green prioritizes education and building community health and generational wealth for historically marginalized communities, especially the Black community.

In 2020, she became president of the [Western Washington Realtists](#), the local board of the [National Association of Real Estate Brokers](#) (NAREB). She is also assistant vice president for NAREB's Region XV. Created by Black real-estate professionals, NAREB is the oldest minority trade organization in the country.

In addition, Bascomb-Green is a core team member of the [Black Home Initiative](#), the secretary of the [Northwest Multiple Listing Service](#), and a board member for multiple organizations, including homeownership nonprofit [HomeSight](#), the [Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle](#), and the [UW Consulting and Business Development Center](#). She holds a master's in business administration and a bachelor's in marketing and is a proud member of the [Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.](#)

"I am thrilled for Nicole to step into leading and guiding the Commission in the coming years," said Steve Walker, executive director of the Commission. "I also want to thank Bill Rumpf for his leadership, grace, and wit over the past three years as we have shifted our values and expanded our work."

Rumpf has led the Commission board since June 2020, overseeing a successful transition in board and staff leadership after the retirement of both the Commission's long-time chair and executive director.

"It was an honor to chair the Commission during this time, and I'm pleased to be appointed to another term," said Rumpf. "Congratulations to Nicole – it will be great to serve with her as our new chair."

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The [Washington State Housing Finance Commission](#) is a publicly accountable, self-supporting team that brings private investment dollars to benefit families and achieve public goals throughout Washington.