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Mr. Hammersley was appointed to his present position in April, 2008. In this position, he is responsible for evaluating the existing policies and programs of the Small Business Administration as well as translating economic, social and demographic trends that have an impact on small business competitiveness into policy prescriptions that will allow the Agency to be more proactive in addressing the needs of small business.

Previously, Mr. Hammersley served the Director of the Office of Loan Programs. In this position, he was responsible for loan policy development for SBA's Section 7(a) Guaranteed Business Loan Program and Section 504 Certified Development Company Loan Program. Annual loan production for these two programs approaches \$15 billion dollars. He also oversaw SBA's secondary market program and loan pooling program and is currently leading the team that is developing the new 504 first mortgage pooling program.

Mr. Hammersley joined SBA in 1977 and has spent most of his career in the Financial Assistance Programs. He has worked on many improvements to the lending programs including SBA Express and the establishment of the Sacramento Loan Processing Center. He recently headed the team that revamped the Standard Operating Procedures for the Section 7(a) and Section 504 programs.

During his career at SBA, Mr. Hammersley received both the Distinguished Service Award and the Meritorious Service Award.

Mr. Hammersley has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Finance from the University of Virginia and a Master of Business Administration degree from the College of William and Mary, where he was elected to Beta Gamma Sigma.