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Mobile Area Chamber Reorganizes its Governmental Affairs and Communications Efforts

[Mobile, Ala., 06.01.2021] Nancy Hewston was named vice president of communications and advocacy for the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, and Maggie Oliver was named senior director of government affairs, Chamber President and CEO Bill Sisson announced today.

“Having Nancy in this key leadership position will mean great things for the Mobile Chamber and its members,” Sisson said. “She is a seasoned communicator with extensive experience in both politics and communications. Nancy’s network of connections both across the state and in Washington D.C. as well as her ability to build coalitions and drive consensus position her to continue to be a valuable asset to Mobile’s business community and the Mobile Chamber.”

“Maggie’s range of skills is perfectly suited for this expanded new role,” Sisson added. “She has a proven track record of success in the governmental affairs arena and will continue to be an advocate for Mobile business owners, employees and their families.”

The Mobile Chamber is combining the community and governmental affairs and the communications and marketing departments to form the Communications and Advocacy Department.

Hewston joined the Chamber in January as the vice president of community and governmental affairs. Previously, she was senior vice president of communications, strategic information and federal affairs for the Business Council of Alabama.

There she was responsible for the development and implementation of the BCA’s federal legislative agenda as well as a broad range of public relations activities relative to the strategic direction and position of the organization and its members.

Prior to the BCA, Hewston spent nearly a decade on Capitol Hill. She worked in both chambers of Congress, as press secretary to former U.S. Rep. Jo Bonner and as deputy press secretary to former U.S. Sen. Jeff Sessions.

She holds a master's and bachelor's degree from The University of Alabama and is a member of Leadership Mobile Class of 2020-2021.

Oliver joined the Chamber in 2018 as director of community and governmental affairs. Oliver holds a master's degree in public relations and corporate communications from Georgetown and a bachelor's degree in public policy leadership from the University of Mississippi's Trent Lott Leadership Institute.

Following graduation from the University of Mississippi, Oliver moved to Washington D.C. where she worked both on and off Capitol Hill in public policy and political communications.

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About the Mobile Area Chamber

The Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce is a private business organization with approximately 1,800 members that employ 92,916 people, and the economic developer for the City of Mobile and Mobile County. We represent business interests of the Mobile region, advocating for business-friendly legislative policies and serve as a resource for small businesses and area entrepreneurs. Additional information is on the Chamber's [website](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).