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## **Johnson Financial Group Elevates Commercial Real Estate Leaders Pat Lawton and John Buresh**

**Milwaukee and Madison, WI — March 16, 2026** — Johnson Financial Group is pleased to announce the promotion of two senior leaders to spearhead commercial real estate operations across Wisconsin's key markets. [Pat Lawton](#) has been named the new SVP, Director of Commercial Real Estate and [John Buresh](#) steps into the role of SVP, Commercial Real Estate Manager for the Milwaukee market.

The appointments follow the retirement of Todd Cegelski, SVP of Commercial Real Estate, who retired after a 15-year tenure with Johnson Financial Group, marking a meaningful milestone in a distinguished career. Both Lawton and Buresh bring extensive experience that positions Johnson Financial Group for continued growth in commercial real estate lending and client services.

Since joining Johnson Financial Group in 2018, Lawton has driven significant portfolio growth in the Milwaukee and Madison markets, with Buresh contributing substantially to growth in Milwaukee. Together, they bring over 50 years of extensive commercial real estate experience across major banking institutions to their newly appointed roles.

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