

Michelle Caldwell Named Deputy Executive Officer, Finance



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(Sept. 19, 2001) Michelle Caldwell, a 19-year veteran of the MTA and its predecessor agencies, has been named deputy executive officer, Finance, in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

In moving to OMB, she leaves the Office of the CEO where, since 1998, she has headed the New Business Development Department. She will continue to be responsible for that activity.

As head of new business development, she established a lease/leaseback program that has delivered more than \$30 million to the MTA and promises more in the future.

Caldwell joined the SCRTD's Human Resources Department in 1982 and later worked in Metro Rail project management, including grant applications, budgeting, estimating and scheduling.

Beginning in 1992, Caldwell served as manager and then as director, Capital Planning and Grants Management, where she planned and managed funding grants for MTA projects. In 1997, she was named deputy executive officer in Transit Operations and was given responsibility for schedules, systems, performance analysis, budget and instruction.

Caldwell graduated Magna Cum Laude in 1976 from California Lutheran University in Thousand Oaks with a bachelor's degree in communications. In 1982, she graduated Cum Laude with a master's degree in business administration from Pepperdine University.

She and her husband, Odus, a high school principal, live in Northridge with their children, Erik, 16, and Drew, 15.

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