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Career Networking Night

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cott Bottles, Ph. D.

Scott Bottles is an executive vice president and western regional credit supervisor in the Wells Fargo Real Estate Banking Group. He is responsible for approving and overseeing the credit quality of commercial real estate loans in the Western United States. He is based in Los Angeles, Calif. The Real Estate Banking Group provides

a broad range of real estate financial products to well-capitalized commercial and residential real estate developers, operators, and investors, such as privately held companies, real estate funds, and public and private real estate investment trusts (REITs). These products include senior secured and unsecured debt on a recourse and non-recourse basis, as well as mezzanine debt, equity, and structured debt products. Scott joined Wells Fargo in 1984 and moved to the Los Angeles office of the Real Estate Industries Group in 1985. He managed that office from 1990 to 1998 when he assumed the Real Estate Merchant Banking southwest division manager position. Scott left Wells Fargo in 2006 to become a partner at a regional investment bank. He rejoined Wells Fargo in his current capacity in late 2008. Scott holds a B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. in American History from the University of California, Los Angeles. He also received an M.B.A. in finance and accounting from the same university. Shortly after joining Wells Fargo, the University of California Press published Scott's book, Los Angeles and the Automobile which won the Donald H. Pflueger Award from the Historical Society of Southern California. He has lectured and written widely on the subjects of American history, economics, and real estate finance. Active in the community, Scott's professional and charitable affiliations include the Urban Land Institute (Industrial and Office Park Council), Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra, The Accelerated School, and California Council of the Humanities. Scott and his wife live in Pacific Palisades, Calif., and have two grown children.



Marta Brunner, Ph.D.

Marta Brunner is the Head of Collections, Research, and Instructional Services in the Charles E. Young Research Library at UCLA. She is also the Librarian for U.S. and British History, the History of Science, Linguistics, and Philosophy. In this latter capacity, she acts as formal library liaison to

the History Department. Marta came to the UCLA Library as a Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) Postdoctoral Fellow in 2006, after receiving her Ph.D. from the History of Consciousness Department at UC Santa Cruz.



homas E. Lifka , Ph. D.

Prior to his retirement in June, 2011, Tom Lifka was Associate Vice Chancellor, Student Academic Services at UCLA. As Associate Vice Chancellor, Tom held management responsibility for Undergraduate Admissions, Financial Aid Office, Registrar's Office, Student Loan Services, the UCLA Career Center and the Dashew Center for International Students and Scholars. Tom came to UCLA in November, 1982, as Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Academic Services. Tom's career in university administration began at his alma mater, Northwestern University, where he served successively as Assistant Director of Admissions. Associate Dean of Students and Director of Residential Life, and finally as Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs. Tom's academic background includes a B.A. in history from Northwestern University, and an A.M. and Ph.D. from Harvard University. At Harvard, Tom was fortunate to be supported by a Harvard Prize Fellowship, as well as fellowships from the Danforth and Woodrow Wilson Foundations. His area of doctoral specialization was the history of international politics, and his dissertation was entitled "The Concept Totalitarianism and American Foreign Policy, 1933-1949." During his career as a university administrator, Tom received adjunct teaching appointments from the history departments at Northwestern and UCLA, and periodically taught various undergraduate courses on a volunteer basis. In recent years, he taught "Stalin's Soviet Union," an upper division history course at UCLA. At the time of his retirement, Tom announced that he was committing the use of his estate to endow a full-time professorship in UCLA's Department of History, and Tom recently made a significant initial contribution toward that goal. This commitment recognizes Tom's belief in the importance of the study of history for both his career and quality of life.



D an Eshet, Ph.D.

Dan Eshet is the current Historian and Curriculum Writer at Facing History and Ourselves, an international organization that develops teaching materials on racism, anti-Semitism and human rights. He has written a number of new resources, including guides to the documentary *Eyes on the Prize* and on the work

of Raphael Lemkin on genocide. He taught at a number of Universities, including Harvard's program on history and literature. Dan received his B.A. and M.A. from Tel-Aviv University and his Ph.D. from in British History for the University of California, Los Angeles.



