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MFA Financial, Inc. Names Gudmundur Kristjansson and Bryan Wulfsohn Co-Chief Investment Officers

NEW YORK, Dec. 13, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- MFA Financial, Inc. (NYSE: MFA) announced today that it has named Gudmundur Kristjansson and Bryan Wulfsohn Co-Chief Investment Officers of the company effective January 1, 2019.

"These appointments reflect the substantial contributions Bryan and Gudmundur have made to the investment activities and day-to-day management of MFA over the past several years as we have expanded the universe of residential mortgage assets in which we invest beyond mortgage-backed securities," said Craig L. Knutson, MFA's Chief Executive Officer and President. Mr. Knutson continued, "Their efforts in developing MFA's investment strategy, evaluating and structuring a broad range of residential mortgage investment opportunities, directing the asset management process and cultivating counterparty and partner relationships have had a meaningful impact on MFA's success. We are very pleased to recognize this progression in their leadership."

Mr. Kristjansson, 38, joined MFA in 2007, and currently serves as a Senior Vice President of the company. From 2005 to 2007, Mr. Kristjansson served as an Associate in Trading and Analytics at Performance Trust Capital Partners where he focused on fixed income strategy and research as well as developing fixed income analytics. Mr. Kristjansson holds a Master of Engineering degree in Operations Research from Cornell University and a B.S. in Mechanical and Industrial Engineering from the University of Iceland (Reykjavik).

Mr. Wulfsohn, 35, joined MFA in 2010, and currently serves as a Senior Vice President of the company. From 2008 to 2010, Mr. Wulfsohn served as a Senior Financial Analyst at Retail Properties of America, Inc., where he focused on corporate strategy. From 2005 to 2007, Mr. Wulfsohn served as an associate in the capital markets group at CBA Commercial, LLC, an acquirer and securitizer of small balance commercial mortgages. Mr. Wulfsohn holds a B.A. from Franklin and Marshall College, and he is a CFA charterholder.

MFA Financial, Inc. is a real estate investment trust primarily engaged in the business of investing, on a leveraged basis, in residential mortgage assets, including residential mortgage-backed securities and residential whole loans.

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