

## NEWS RELEASE

## GATOR BOWL SPORTS ANNOUNCES WELLS FARGO EXECUTIVE JOHN DUCE AS CHAIRMAN

**JACKSONVILLE, Fla.,** *April 9, 2020* — Wells Fargo executive John Duce has taken the reins as the 2020 Chairman of Gator Bowl Sports and will preside over all Gator Bowl Sports entities including the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl football game and game week events as well as Gator Bowl Charities youth initiatives.

Chairman John Duce is a native of Gainesville, Florida and joined the Wells Fargo team through their predecessor banks immediately following college. His career brought him to Jacksonville in 1993 and as of this week he is celebrating his 32<sup>nd</sup> anniversary with Wells Fargo. In his current role, John is the Senior Vice President of Middle Market Banking.

Throughout his career, Chairman Duce has prioritized giving back to the community as evidenced through his years of service through multiple organizations. He currently serves on the Ronald McDonald House board, has served over fifteen years with Gator Bowl Sports, and his strong influence was instrumental in the formalization of Gator Bowl Charities as a separate 501(c)(3) within Gator Bowl Sports.

"Gator Bowl Sports has been a long time staple in our community and serving as Chairman is an honor and privilege," said Chairman Duce. "Last year's 75<sup>th</sup> celebration produced incredible results for our community and I look forward to continuing the long history of successes through our economic impact, charitable programming, and community engagement initiatives."

John and his wife Merry-Carol reside in the San Marco community of Jacksonville and have two sons, Trotter (22) and Pierson (20) who are both currently in college.

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