



## **Denise Press**

### **North American Head of Small Business for Visa Commercial Solutions**

Denise Press is the North American Head of Small Business for Visa Commercial Solutions, where she is responsible for the development and execution of the business strategy for this high-growth vertical segment. With over 25 years in the payments and financial services industry, Denise has honed her expertise through diverse roles within global financial institutions and in the retail and commercial banking sectors. One of Denise's notable strengths lies in her deep commitment to small business. Having worked with small business issuers and later becoming a small business owner herself, she possesses a deep, comprehensive understanding of the sector's dynamics and the needs of all stakeholders involved. Denise has been a longtime contributor to the entrepreneurial and incubator sector, including developing and implementing an incubator program in her community at the high school level.

Before joining Visa, Denise acquired and led a small business in the logistics industry and prior that, Denise served as the Managing Director of US Payments at BMO, where she played a pivotal role in shaping the payments landscape for both consumers and small businesses. Additionally, Denise held several leadership positions at Mastercard, where she led account management and business development teams. Denise lives with her husband and daughters in the Chicago suburbs. Outside of work, Denise finds joy in spending time with her family. An avid enthusiast of pickleball, golf, and staying active, she also nurtures her love for travel, relishing opportunities to connect with new people and immerse herself in diverse cultures.