



MICHELLE KESSLER-SANDERS TAPPED AS CALVIN KLEIN COLLECTION PRESIDENT

By Lisa Lockwood

OCTOBER 1, 2015

NEW YORK — After a lengthy search, Michelle Kessler-Sanders has been tapped as president of Calvin Klein Collection. She begins Oct. 13.

John Van Glahn had been president of the wholesale collection and global licensing. He will continue as president of global licensing.

In her new role, Kessler-Sanders will be responsible for overall brand strategy, growth and profitability of the Calvin Klein Collection business. In addition, she will oversee all day-to-day operations and financial functions of Calvin Klein Collection, which consists of women's, men's and accessories. She reports to Steve Shiffman, chief executive officer of Calvin Klein Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of PVH Corp.

Francisco Costa, women's creative director of Calvin Klein Collection, and Italo Zucchelli, men's creative director of Calvin Klein Collection, will continue to report to Shiffman.

"Her hire marks a significant step for Calvin Klein Collection as we further elevate the brand's position within the luxury world," Shiffman said.

Kessler-Sanders added that she looks forward "to leading the future development strategy for the business together with existing partners."

Most recently, Kessler-Sanders was executive vice president and creative director of the Vera Wang Group. Earlier, she was fashion director of T: The New York Times Style Magazine. Other roles have included senior vice president and accessories director at Donna Karan, fashion director of Juicy Couture, and accessories director at Vogue. She has also worked in public relations at firms such as Prada, Giorgio Armani and Calvin Klein.