

Stephen D. Williams
Deputy Executive Director

Stephen D. Williams was selected as only the third Deputy Executive Director in the history of the Delaware River Bay Authority. In this capacity, he focuses on Authority-related economic development initiatives; plans internal and external communication strategies; handles governance matters; serves as the Board Secretary, and fosters on-going working relationships with state and local officials. Mr. Williams, who also serves as the Director of Airports for the DRBA, began his official duties in January 2018.

Mr. Williams has more than 40 years of airport and transportation management experience. Prior to joining the DRBA as its Airports Director in 2005, he spent eleven (11) years as the airport manager of Republic Airport in Farmingdale, Long Island, a large New York Metro area reliever airport with 500 based aircraft, and the fourth busiest in the state.

From 1986-1990, Williams served as Project Manager and Vice President of Pan Am World Service's private contract management operation of the City of Atlantic City's two airport facilities, Atlantic City International Airport (ACY) and the former Bader Field (AIY). During his tenure, Williams successfully landed new scheduled commercial air service at ACY in 1988, sparking a 40% increase in total passenger enplanements. Williams also led initiatives to reduce the spate of accidents at AIY, and helped to pave the way for the transfer of ACY to the present South Jersey Transportation Authority (SJTA).

A licensed private general aviation pilot with over 700 hours of flight experience, Mr. Williams is also a member of the following organizations: the New Jersey Aviation Association (NJAA), National Business Aviation Association (NBAA), Airports Council International, (ACI-NA) where he serves on the small airports committee, the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE), the Air Mates Flying Club at Atlantic City International Airport, and he is a past president of both the New York Aviation Management Association (NYAMA), and the Long Island Business Aviation Association (LIBAA).

A graduate of the City College of New York (CCNY) with a Bachelor of Arts in political science, Williams earned his Master of Business Administration in Aviation Management from Dowling College in 1998. He has also completed certificate courses in Airport Planning and Design from the Polytechnic Institute of New York and Airport Systems, Planning & Design from the University of California - Berkeley.

Mr. Williams, who previously taught airport planning and operations management at the Farmingdale State University of New York from 2001-2004, continues to instruct as an adjunct professor of aviation at Delaware State University's Dover campus.

Mr. Williams resides in Franklinville, New Jersey.