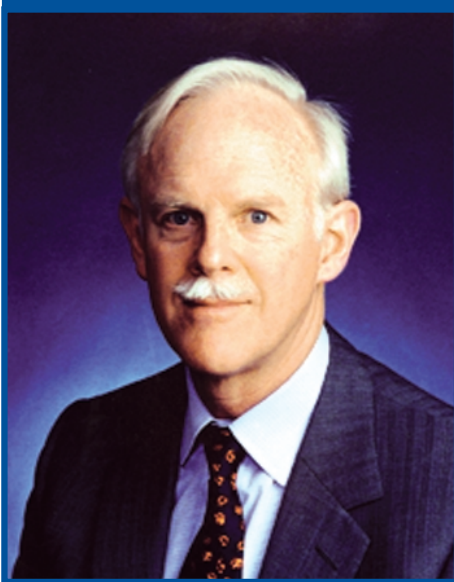


New Chairman and Board Members

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Diamond State Port Corporation – Board of Directors



Nathan Hayward, III
Delaware's Secretary of Transportation is the new Chairman
of the Diamond State Port Corporation's Board of Directors

Delaware Governor Ruth Ann Minner has appointed Delaware's Secretary of Transportation, Nathan Hayward, III, to serve as the new Chairman of the Diamond State Port Corporation Board of Directors.

This summer, the Delaware State Senate also approved Governor Minner's other appointees to the Board of Directors of the Diamond State Port Corporation, including: Secretary of State Harriet Windsor; Secretary of Finance David W. Singleton; Director of the Delaware Economic Development Office John D. Wik; Delaware State Controller Russell T. Larson; and the Executive Director of the AFL-CIO in Delaware, Michael A. Begatto.

Established as a state corporation in 1995, the Diamond State Port Corporation owns and operates the Port of Wilmington. The State of

Delaware purchased the Port from the City of Wilmington in 1995.

As Chairman of the DSPC Board of Directors, Secretary Hayward will bring more than 30 years' experience in private and public sector strategic planning, finance, budgeting and management. Prior to his appointment as Secretary of Transportation, Mr. Hayward was an associate with W. L. Gore Associates, Inc. in its Corporate Finance group. He has additional private sector experience with senior management and financial positions in commercial banking, real estate and international development. Secretary Hayward also has extensive experience in the public sector serving as the Director of the Office of Management, Budget and Planning and later as the state's first Director of the Delaware Economic Development Office during the administration of Governor Pete duPont (1977 - 1984).

Secretary Hayward holds a B. A. from Harvard College and a M.B.A. with honors from Stanford Graduate School of Business. He is married with two sons.

Dr. Harriet Smith Windsor, Delaware's Secretary of State, has extensive experience in the public sector, having served as the Director of State Personnel in Governor Tom Carper's cabinet from 1993 to 2001. Last year, Governor Carper awarded Dr. Windsor the Order of the First State, the highest honor a governor can bestow on a citizen for meritorious service on behalf of the citizens of Delaware. In 1997, she became a member of the Delaware Hall of

Fame in recognition for her contribution and leadership in Delaware. Secretary Windsor has held various teaching and academic positions as well serving as the Dean of Instruction and Chairperson of the Department of English at Delaware Technical and Community College, Owens Campus, and as an English teacher at Seaford Senior High School. Dr. Windsor is married and has a son and a daughter.

John D. Wik is the Director of the Delaware Economic Development Office (DEDO), where his responsibilities include promoting and developing business and economic opportunities for the State of Delaware. He has 28 years experience working in the state's business community. In 1984, he founded WIK Associates, Inc. of New Castle, Delaware, a full-service environmental consulting, construction and remediation firm that services corporate and governmental clients throughout the northeast corridor. He served as its president until joining DEDO in 2001. Prior to WIK Associates, Inc., Mr. Wik served as a scientist in the Nuclear Physics Department of the Franklin Institute Research Center in Philadelphia and in the Nuclear Physics Section of the MITRE Corporation in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Wik holds a master's degree from the College of Marine Studies at the University of Delaware and earned a bachelor's degree in biology from West Virginia University. Director Wik resides in New Castle, Delaware with his wife and daughter.

David W. Singleton is Delaware's Secretary of Finance, serving as the chief financial officer of the State. He has served for more than 15 years in the financial services industry, including 14 years as Managing Director of the JP Morgan Guaranty Trust Company, and a Senior Vice President for MBNA. Mr. Singleton also has a wealth of public sector experience having served as Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Wilmington during both terms of Mayor William McLaughlin. Mr. Singleton is married and is a father to twin daughters.

Russell T. Larson is the Controller General for the State of Delaware and has worked in the state controller's office since 1978. The Office of Controller General is considered the fiscal oversight arm of the Delaware General Assembly. As such, the office not only prepares the State's fiscal legislation but also serves several committees on behalf of the legislative branch. Prior to his appointment in Delaware, Mr. Larson was employed by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission in Virginia. Mr. Larson has also served as the Staff Chair for the National Conference of State Legislatures from 1996-1997.

Mr. Larson is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University with a bachelor's degree in Political Science and Latin American Studies and a masters degree in Public Administration. Mr. Larson is married and has two children.

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Michael A. Begatto is the Executive Director for Council 81 of the American Federation State County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) and Local 459. He has held this position for the past 12 years protecting the rights of Delaware's working men and women. For the past 3 years, he has also served as President of State Federation of Delaware's American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organization (AFL-CIO). He joined the union as an hourly employee in 1979 as a Shop Steward and since then has taken various leadership positions in the union. Mr. Begatto is married and is a father to three sons.

In addition to the new appointees, the DSPC Board of Directors includes Mr. Richard H. Derrickson, president of Atlantic Management; Mr. J. Brian Murphy of Murphy & Associates; Mr. Leonard Quill; Captain H. Hickman Rowland, Jr., president of Wilmington Tug, Inc.; and Mr. Douglas B. Catts, attorney for Schmittinger and Rodriguez, P.A.

"I am confident that with the great combination of talent each member of our board brings to the Diamond State Port Corporation, the Port of Wilmington will be able to achieve new goals and further develop Delaware as a leading East Coast gateway for international trade," said Secretary Hayward.

Founded in 1923, the Port is an important asset for the local and regional economy, generating more than 5,800 jobs and contributing over \$22 million in annual tax revenues to State and local government. The Port of Wilmington is owned and operated by the Diamond State Port Corporation, a corporation of the State of Delaware.

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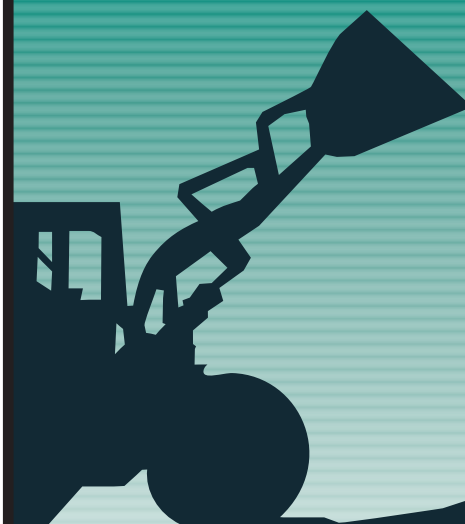
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