



Airport Connector Update

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Speaker bios

Secretary Pierce R. Homer

Virginia Secretary of Transportation

Secretary Homer served as secretary of transportation under Gov. Mark R. Warner and was reappointed to the post by Gov. Timothy M. Kaine on Jan. 5, 2006. Secretary Homer has the responsibility of developing and implementing Virginia's transportation program, including policy and financial oversight for six agencies: the Departments of Transportation, Motor Vehicles, Aviation, and Rail and Public Transportation, and the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board and the Virginia Port Authority. He also serves as chairman of the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

<http://www.transportation.virginia.gov/>

Quintin C. Kendall

Chief of Staff, U.S. Department of Transportation

Mr. Kendall was appointed the U.S. DOT's chief of staff in January 2008. Before this he served as deputy assistant secretary for management and budget for the U.S. DOT; in this position he served as a senior advisor to the U.S. Secretary of Transportation. Formerly, Mr. Kendall served as the U.S. DOT's White House liaison, and he also served as an aide to Virginia Gov. James S. Gilmore III and House Commerce Committee Chairman Thomas J. Bliley Jr.

<http://www.dot.gov/bios/kendall.htm>

The Honorable L. Douglas Wilder

Mayor of Richmond

L. Douglas Wilder, the grandson of slaves, became the first African-American to be elected governor in the United States and led the Commonwealth of Virginia from 1990 to 1994. In 2004 he was elected Richmond's mayor after two overwhelmingly supported referendums calling for an end to the council-manager form of government that had been in place since 1948. As mayor, Wilder acts as the city's chief executive officer, overseeing the executive management of the Richmond's departments and agencies.

<http://www.richmondsmayor.com/about.aspx>

The Honorable David A. Kaechele

Chairman, Henrico Board of Supervisors

David Kaechele (KACK lee) has been an elected member of the Henrico County Board of Supervisors for more than 27 years, representing the Three Chopt Magisterial District and currently serving as Chairman. He is also Chairman of the Richmond Metropolitan Convention



and Visitors Bureau and serves on the Capital Region Airport Commission and on the Board of Directors for the Virginia Association of Counties, as well as numerous other local, state, and national boards and committees.

<http://www.co.henrico.va.us/supervisors/threechopt.html>

The Honorable James B. Donati, Jr.

Commissioner, Capital Region Airport Commission

Mr. Donati has served on the Capital Region Airport Commission since 1992 in many capacities, including two terms as chairman. He is also the elected supervisor for the Varina Magisterial District of Henrico County. He is active on the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission as well as other local, state, and national boards and committees. He is the proprietor of WhiteOak Turf Care, a landscaping and lawn care business in Varina.

<http://www.jimdonati.net/>

Andi Kuhn

Director, Pocahontas 895

Andi Kuhn has been director of Pocahontas 895 since 2007. She oversees all aspects in the management of the parkway, from operations and maintenance to safety and community relations. Ms. Kuhn has more than 25 years of experience in business operations, strategy, coordination of programs and services, change management and brand marketing. Prior to joining Transurban she worked with a national U.S. consulting firm. She serves on several local boards.