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Candace McGraw was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG) in July, 2011. Ms. McGraw joined CVG as its Chief Administrative Officer in October, 2009. Prior to leading the CVG staff of approximately 460 members, Ms. McGraw served in a number of positions at the Cleveland Airport System, including Deputy Director, and served as General Counsel for Cleveland City Council and Legal Counsel and Deputy Director of Charitable Gaming for the Ohio Lottery Commission.

Since joining CVG, Ms. McGraw has focused on positioning the airport for the future by completing a 2035 Master Plan Study; attracting both domestic and international low cost air carriers; consolidating operations into a renovated terminal facility; and diversifying revenues through targeted cargo, land and concessions improvements. Since becoming CEO, landing fee expenses paid by carriers have been reduced; local passenger growth has increased; CVG's annual economic impact has grown from \$3.4 billion to \$4.4 billion; and approximately 200 acres of land have been developed for commercial and non-aviation use. CVG will also become the home to Amazon's new Prime Air Cargo hub and is currently home to the North American superhub for DHL—its second largest global operation.

Ms. McGraw is proud to lead a team that has been recognized as the Best Regional Airport in North America for seven of the last eight consecutive years. CVG was also recognized as the World's Best Airport serving 5-10 million passengers by Sky Trax World Airport Awards.

Current Board Affiliations: Airports Council International-North America (Chair); Airports Council International World Board (Member, Executive Committee); Kentucky Chamber of Commerce (Member, Executive Committee); Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber; Northern Kentucky Chamber; Cincinnati Convention and Visitor's Bureau; Regional Alliance of Northern Kentucky (Secretary); ArtsWave (Member, Executive Committee).

Education: Bachelor's and Master's, Duquesne University, 1985; Juris Doctor, University of Pittsburgh, 1988; International Aviation Professional (IAP) certification from International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and ACI World.

Awards/Honors: YWCA Career Woman of Achievement; Outstanding Woman of Northern Kentucky; C-Suite Award-CEO of Year; Lincoln Award from Northern Kentucky University; Nelson Schwab Jr. Distinguished Leadership Cincinnati Award; Best Boss of Northern Kentucky; Kentucky Airport Manager of the Year (and several others).