

## **EXECUTIVE PROFILE**

## DIANE GUTIERREZ-SCACCETTI IBTTA First Vice President

## Commissioner, New Jersey Department of Transportation



Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti was confirmed as the 19th Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Transportation on June 7, 2018. She was appointed Acting Commissioner December 19, 2017 and began serving on January 16, 2018.

A native New Jerseyan, Ms. Gutierrez-Scaccetti is a transportation professional with more than 31 years in the industry, and 37 years in government service. She possesses

extensive executive, operational, and planning knowledge.

Most recently, the Commissioner served as the Executive Director and CEO at Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, a part of the Florida Department of Transportation. Under her leadership, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise managed more than 460 centerline miles and a 5-year capital program in excess of \$6 billion, supported by \$1 billion in revenues.

This capital program included the construction of SunTrax, a 2.25-mile test track and research facility for the development of transportation technology, including automated and connected vehicle applications. She was instrumental in implementing Regional Toll Interoperability of SunPass in the Southeastern U.S. SunPass, Florida's statewide electronic toll collection system, was under her charge. As Executive Director and CEO, Gutierrez-Scaccetti was a member of the Executive Committee of the Florida Department of Transportation, a policy setting body that reports to the Secretary of Transportation.

Prior to the Commissioner's Florida experience, she spent 21 years at the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, working her way up from a Contract Administrator to the post of Executive Director, a position she held from 2008 to 2010. During her tenure, she

managed the day-to-day administrative operations and was chief negotiator for the agency's several collective bargaining units.

Ms. Gutierrez-Scaccetti participated in several major agency initiatives, including the remediation of the E-ZPass System, the financial and operational consolidation of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and New Jersey Highway Authority, bringing the New Jersey Turnpike and Garden State Parkway under a single organization. A major undertaking was the development and financing of a 10-year, \$7 billion capital program that kicked off the widening of the New Jersey Turnpike from Interchange 6 to Interchange 9. This transformational project provided significant congestion relief to a major portion of the I-95 Corridor.

The Commissioner's accomplishments and leadership have been recognized by the Executive Women of New Jersey, WTS Central Florida Woman of the Year, and Orlando Business Journal's 2015 CEO of the Year for the Public Sector. She received the 2019 Service to the People Award presented by the American Society of Civil Engineers Central New Jersey Branch and the 2020 Women of Achievement Award presented by the New Jersey Chapter of Professional Women in Construction.

Ms. Gutierrez-Scaccetti is a member of the Board of Directors of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) and the Northeast Association of State Transportation Officials (NASTO) and is currently serving as the Chair of the Committee on Transportation Communications (TransComm). She is an Executive Committee Member of the Board of Directors for the International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association (IBTTA) and is currently serving as the association's first Vice President. She is an Executive Committee Board Member of the Transportation Research Board (TRB), Vice Chair of The Eastern Transportation Coalition (formerly I-95 Corridor Coalition) and the Chair of the Coalition's Toll Violation Enforcement Reciprocity Task Force.

Commissioner Gutierrez-Scaccetti holds degrees from the University of Connecticut (BS) and Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey (MS).