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## **Airport Authority Executive Wayne G. Sieloff, A.A.E., Earns Professional Airport Accreditation**

*--Joins elite group of airport executives*

**ALEXANDRIA, Va. and DETROIT, Mich.**—The **American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE)** has awarded the distinction of Accredited Airport Executive (A.A.E.) to the **Wayne County Airport Authority's (WCAA)** Director, Planning, Design & Construction **Wayne G. Sieloff**.

To qualify for his distinction, Mr. Sieloff was required to successfully complete three phases of the accreditation process: (1) pass a 180-item multiple-choice examination, (2) fulfill a writing requirement, and (3) demonstrate, in the final interview by a panel of A.A.E.s, his knowledge of airport management, business administration, and general transportation economics. Sieloff's achievement attests to his ability to meet these stringent requirements and to his experience in management at a public airport.

By fulfilling all the requirements leading to the title of Accredited Airport Executive, Sieloff joins a select group of individuals who have earned the designation in the nearly six decades of the accreditation program's existence. At present, fewer than 10 percent of AAAE's members throughout the country have earned the distinction.

As the WCAA's Director, Planning, Design and Construction, Sieloff leads the Authority's team responsible for administering the capital improvement programs at **Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW)** and **Willow Run Airport (YIP)**. Sieloff holds a bachelor of architecture degree and master of architecture degree from Lawrence Technological University. He is also a registered architect licensed in Michigan.

Sieloff becomes one of three current WCAA employees to achieve this accreditation along with Deputy Director of Airfield Operations **Kenneth Szymanski, A.A.E.**, and **John Lawson A.A.E.** of Landside Services. Additionally, ten WCAA team members have earned Certified Member (C.M.) designations by AAAE:

**Michael Bangs, C.M.**, Training Manager  
**Rick Taig, C.M.**, Security & Operations Manager, Willow Run Airport  
**Joseph W. McCabe, C.M.**, Field Maintenance Manager  
**James T. Coats, C.M.**, Operations Specialist  
**Scott Roberts, C.M.**, Deputy Director, Public Affairs  
**Mark L. Debeau, C.M.**, Vice President, Public Safety  
**Bobby L. Marion, C.M.**, Operations Specialist  
**Don Houston, C.M.**, Airfield Training Manager  
**Jason Hamlett, C.M.**, Airfield Operations Manager  
**Brian Garrott, C.M.**, Airfield Operations Manager

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