James A. Wilding

James A. Wilding graduated from Catholic University in 1959, then joined the Federal Aviation Administration to take part in the planning and development of Washington Dulles International Airport. In 1979, he became Director for Dulles and Washington National (Reagan), serving until June 1987, when he was appointed President/CEO of the new Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority. As President/CEO he led large development programs that transformed both airports. Mr. Wilding won Presidential and Department of Transportation Awards including the Secretary of Transportation's Gold Medal, the highest award in the Department. He passed away on February 24, 2023, in Cary, NC.