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## Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley Appoints Jack Garson to Airports Authority Board of Directors

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority has announced that Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley has appointed Jack Garson to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Board of Directors, a 13-member Board comprised of appointments by the Governors of Maryland and Virginia, the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the President of the United States.

"I am pleased to announce the appointment of Jack Garson to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Board of Directors," said Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley. "I am confident that Mr. Garson's legal experience and expertise will be an asset to the Airports Authority. Mr. Garson is widely respected for his intelligence, fairness, patience, and integrity – attributes that will serve him well on the Board."

Mr. Garson is the founder of Garson Claxton LLC and leads the firm's business and real estate practice groups. He serves as a legal advisor for numerous local, regional and national companies, focusing on business transactions, commercial real estate, commercial leasing, and construction law.

In addition to providing legal counsel, Mr. Garson serves as a strategic advisor and negotiator for many clients, providing guidance on issues such as the growth and sale of businesses, liability and risk reduction, the hiring and retention of key personnel, and protecting and enhancing profitability, as well as negotiating the resolution of complex commercial disputes.

His firm also handles commercial transactions, ranging from the purchase and sale of businesses, to the structuring of construction contracts, to the sale and leasing of commercial properties throughout the United States.

Mr. Garson graduated with honors from both the George Washington University National Law Center and the University of Maryland.

The Airports Authority operates Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport and Washington Dulles International Airport. The Board consists of 13 members, 2 of whom are appointed by the Governor of Maryland, 5 of whom are appointed by the Governor of Virginia, 3 of whom are appointed by the Mayor of Washington, DC, and 3 of whom are appointed by the President of the United States.

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