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Fredrick Piccolo has over forty years experience in the aviation industry and has been President, Chief Executive Officer of the Sarasota Bradenton International Airport since 1995. He began his career as a janitor at the Buffalo International Airport, and after earning a BS degree in Business Administration from the State University of New York at Buffalo, held several airport positions that include Building Superintendent, Property Manager, Assistant to Airport Manager, and Assistant Director of Operations. Locally, he worked in the Operations Department at Tampa International Airport and just prior to his position at SRQ, he was the Assistant Airport Director at the St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport.

Mr. Piccolo has served as President of the Florida Airports Council, an association that advocates the general advancement of aviation through cooperative efforts of professional airport managers throughout the State. He has achieved executive accreditation to the American Association of Airport Executives, the largest professional airport managers association in the world. Mr. Piccolo served as the 2007 Chairman of the Airports Council International – North America (ACI-NA), an aviation organization that represents local, regional, state, and national governing bodies that own and operate commercial airports in the United States, Canada, and the Virgin Islands. He also serves on the Board of Directors of Airports Council International - World, which unites all the airports in the world into a single organization.

Mr. Piccolo is past Chairman of the Secure Airports for Florida's Economy (SAFE) Council, which is made up of Airport representatives from twenty commercial service airports, FDOT, FDCA, FDLE, FL Department of Tourism, ATA (air carrier organization), and General Aviation. This council, formed by the Florida Legislature, is responsible for Master Plan development of airport facilities and Intermodal transportation systems in Florida.

The Florida Department of Transportation selected Mr. Piccolo as the 2005 Aviation Professional of the Year. In October 2009, Airport Revenue News announced Mr. Piccolo as the winner of the "Small Airport CEO of the Year for 2009." Members of the aviation industry nationwide vote on this award.

On a personal note, Mr. Piccolo is married with three sons.