

Manuel M. Da Silva - Chief Executive Officer

On December 4, 2019, the SDA Board of Directors unanimously elected Mr. Da Silva as the Authority's Chief Executive Officer after having served as Interim CEO since May 2019.

Da Silva previously served as the Vice President of Construction Operations for the SDA, where he was responsible for the oversight of Capital Construction, Facilities Projects and Emergent projects. Prior to this position, he served as a Program Director of Program Operations at SDA and was responsible for the management of Capital Projects.

Da Silva joined the New Jersey Schools Development Authority in 2010 as a Senior Manager Engineering.

He has more than 20 years of experience in the field of engineering and construction in both the public and private sector, including projects with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, and the U.S. Postal Service.

Prior to joining the SDA, Da Silva was Director of Operations for M. Alfieri Co., Inc. and responsible for property management including planning, engineering and construction for tenant fit-outs and new office facilities. His responsibilities covered 2.2 million square feet of Class A office buildings and nine multistate land development sites.

He graduated from the New Jersey Institute of Technology in 1993 with a Bachelor's of Science in Civil Engineering and a Minor in Management, and obtained his Professional Engineer's license in 1997.