

Transportation Secretary Beverley K. Swaim- Staley

Biography

Governor Martin O'Malley appointed Beverley K. Swaim-Staley as Secretary of the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) in September 2009. She is the first woman to serve as Maryland Transportation Secretary. As Secretary, Ms. Swaim-Staley oversees five modal administrations with 9,000 employees and a \$3.8 billion annual budget. She also serves as Chairman of the Maryland Transportation Authority. With nearly 12 years of experience as Deputy Transportation Secretary and Chief Financial Officer for MDOT, Secretary Swaim-Staley has the deep knowledge of transportation, along with the management and financial expertise that are necessary to make progress in these challenging economic times.

Secretary Swaim-Staley served as Deputy Secretary and the Chief Operating Officer of MDOT following her appointment in 2007. With this appointment she returned to the position that she held from 1999 through 2003. During this period, from 2001-2002, she also served as Executive Director of the Maryland Aviation Administration on an interim basis, a period which encompassed the terrorist strike on 9/11 and the subsequent revolution in airport security.

Secretary Swaim-Staley's extensive background in public service includes a six year tour of duty as MDOT's Chief Financial Officer. Earlier in her career she was a financial analyst for the Maryland General Assembly. Secretary Swaim-Staley received her Bachelors in Political Science and her Masters in Contemporary Government from Hood College in Frederick.

Secretary Swaim-Staley serves on the Board of Directors for the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO). She also serves on a number of AASHTO committees, including: the Climate Change Steering Committee and the High Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Leadership Group. She also is a member of the Board of

Directors for the Northeast Association of State Transportation Officials (NASTO).