



## COVID-19: Survival and Revival

Call-in Forum for Airport Concessions Industry - No. 8

\*\*\*Guest Speaker – FAA Associate Administrator for Airports Kirk Shaffer\*\*\*

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**About this Session**: **FAA Associate Administrator for Airports Kirk Shaffer** will discuss the FAA's role in the survival and recovery of the aviation industry, FAA's guidance and oversight of airports concerning airport concessions and rent relief, and federal efforts to revive the air transportation system.

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## D. Kirk Shaffer Associate Administrator for Airports

Kirk Shaffer, a native of Bay City, Texas, was reappointed by President Donald Trump and Secretary Elaine Chao as Associate Administrator for Airports on December 17, 2018. He served in this role previously between 2007-2009. Kirk has more than 30 years experience as an entrepreneurial airport executive, advocate, and regulator. He leads more than 500 employees, manages an annual budget of \$3.35 billion (which includes an operating budget of about \$112 million), and is responsible for the Airport Improvement Program grants, which total around \$7 billion annually, as well as two major research programs. He is also responsible for overseeing national airport safety and standards, planning, engineering, environmental processing, financial assistance and compliance programs for more than 3,320 public-use airports nationwide.