



John P. LaRue
Executive Director
Port of Corpus Christi Authority

On April 26, 1994, the Commissioners of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority named John P. LaRue as Executive Director. This appointment follows a career of public service that spans more than 25 years.

As Executive Director of the Port of Corpus Christi, he oversees the day-to-day operations of the port, including the department of Engineering, Finance & Administration, Government Affairs, Operations and Trade Development.

Mr. LaRue is former President of the Texas Ports Association; Vice President of the Gulf Ports Association; Treasurer of the Port Industries of Corpus Christi, a coalition of all port-related businesses in the region; Board Member of the International Refrigerated Transport Association; Board Member of the American Association of port Authorities and a member of the Marine Industry Council of the Texas Transportation Institute.

His community activities include: Chair of the Gulf of Mexico Foundation, Chair-elect of the United Way and USO.

Prior to assuming his duties at the Port of Corpus Christi, Mr. LaRue was Executive Director of the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority since 1990. He also served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Philadelphia Port Corporation, the Philadelphia Port Authority's predecessor agency from 1986 to 1990.

A native of Reading, Pennsylvania, Mr. LaRue received his BA and MA in Political Science from Villanova University. He and his wife Diane live in Corpus Christi and have four children.

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PROFESSIONAL HISTORY:

Port of Corpus Christi Authority **1994-present**
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Responsible for the planning, organizing, and administering the activities of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority.

Philadelphia Regional Port Authority **1990-1994**
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Established and managed new state authority for three-county port zone in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia Port Corporation **1986-1990**
PRESIDENT & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Responsible for major port facilities and commercial development along the waterfront in the City of Philadelphia.

Delaware River Port Authority **1987-1989**
COMMISSIONER
Appointed by Governor of Pennsylvania. Bi-state Authority responsible for operation of four bridges. High Speed Line and international marketing for the Ports of Philadelphia.

City of Philadelphia **1978-1986**
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF COMMERCE
Administrative and policy oversight of Philadelphia's Port, Civic Center, and International Airport. Direction of City's Washington lobbying effort as it relates to defense, aviation, economic development, and port matters.

EDUCATION:

Villanova University, Villanova, Pennsylvania **1971 & 1968**
M.A. and B.A. in Political Science

Bornemann Central Catholic High School, Reading, Pennsylvania **1964**

AWARDS/HONORS:

- Man of the Year, 1992. Philadelphia Customs Broker Association
- Man of the Year, 1994. Seaman's Church Institute
- Bernardo O Higgins Award, 1994. Republic of Chile