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Biography:

Doug Kreulen is president and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority responsible for both Nashville International Airport® (BNA®) and John C. Tune Airport® (JWN®). Kreulen joined the airport authority in 2012 and was named president & CEO in December 2017.

Before joining MNAA, Kreulen served four years as director of Operations for the Huntsville-Madison County Airport Authority. Prior to beginning his career in the commercial aviation sector, Kreulen served in the United States Air Force for 27 years.

An Accredited Airport Executive (A.A.E.), Kreulen is active in a variety of civic organizations including the Airports Council International – North America Large Hub Committee (Chair), American Association of Airport Executives Policy Review Council (Co-Chair), Tennessee Association of Air Carrier Airports (President), Nashville Convention and Visitors Corporation Board of Directors, Auburn University Aviation Advisory Board, and is an alum of both Leadership Huntsville and Leadership Nashville.

Kreulen earned Master of Science degrees from National War College and Troy University and a Bachelor of Science from Auburn University.

Awards & Accolades:

- 2019
  - Named "Tennessee Aviation Person of the Year" by Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame.
- 2022
  - Earned "Award of Excellence" & "Airport of the Year" for the expansion of Nashville International Airport® (BNA®) from the Tennessee Aeronautics Commission.
  - Received the inaugural "Veteran's Leader Award" from the Charlie & Hazel Daniels Veterans & Military Family Center at Middle Tennessee State University.
  - Named one of Nashville's "Most Admired CEOs" by the *Nashville Business Journal*.
- 2024
  - Honored at the 39th annual Airport Minority Advisory Council conference with the "Chairman's Award" for promoting minority & women's opportunities in the aviation and aerospace industries.
  - Named one of Nashville's "Most Admired CEOs" by the *Nashville Business Journal*.
  - Named Airport Director of the Year – Large Hub Airports by *Airport Experience News*.
- 2025
  - Selected for the "C-Suite Awards" by the *Nashville Business Journal*.
  - Honored with the "Apollo Award" by the Public Relations Society of America Nashville.
- 2026
  - Recipient of ACI-NA "Excellence in Visionary Leadership Award".
  - Inducted into the Tennessee Aviation Hall of Fame.

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