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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE and POSITIONS HELD

Check Airman, Captain, FAA Aircrew Program Designee. US Airways, 1985 – Present.

Check Airman, DC-9; Check Airman, MD-80; Senior Check Airman, MD-80; chairman, Douglas Flight Standards Committee; FAA Aircrew Program Designee, MD-80. Responsible for training and evaluation of pilots and check airmen in fleet of 70 aircraft. Coordinated with FAA to develop and implement training and standardization policies and procedures. Conducted FAA type rating evaluations and standardization evaluations. Airline pilot operating in domestic, international, and Latin American theaters of operation on various transport category jet aircraft.

Current Part 121 Airline Transport Pilot: Airbus A-320 Captain with over 35 years of civil aviation flight experience and over 15,000 flight hours logged.

Expert Witness, Consultant, Attorney: Aviation Advisors, LLC. 2007 – Present.
Expert witness and consultant in aviation-related litigation. Representation of pilots in FAA certificate action matters.

Panel Attorney: AOPA Legal Services Plan. 2007 – Present.
Representation of pilots in FAA certificate action matters.

Adjunct Professor: Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. 2011 – Present.
Adjunct faculty member in Department of Doctoral Studies, currently teaching online aviation law course. Developed course for initial offering.

Adjunct Professor: Utah Valley University. 2009 – Present.
Adjunct faculty member in Aviation Science Department, currently teaching online aviation law course.

Adjunct Professor: Mountain State University. 2009 – Present.
Adjunct faculty member in Aviation Department, currently teaching online aviation law course. Developed syllabus and exams for online aviation law course.

Adjunct Professor: Community College of Beaver County. 2008 – Present.
Adjunct faculty member in Aviation Sciences Department, currently teaching online aviation law course.

Associate Attorney: Tucker Arensberg, P.C. 2006 – 2007
Practice area included general civil litigation and labor & employment matters.

Safety Council Member: Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations (CAPA). 2009 – Present. Coordinate, develop and evaluate safety policies and procedures with representatives of member carriers. Participate in analysis of Notices of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM). Participate as member of Aviation Rulemaking Committees.

Co-Chairman, Safety Committee: US Airline Pilots Association. 2009 – 2011. Coordinated, developed and evaluated safety policies and procedures for member pilots. Coordinated Safety Management System (SMS) policies and procedures with company Safety Department.

Chairman, Violations Committee: US Airline Pilots Association. 2009 – Present. Representation of member pilots in FAA certificate action matters.

Accident Investigation Committee Member: US Airline Pilots Association. 2008 – Present.

Safety Committee Member: US Airline Pilots Association. 2008 – Present.

Air Safety Representative: Air Line Pilots Association, International. 2007 – 2008.

EDUCATION and TRAINING

Duquesne University School of Law:
Juris Doctor

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University:
Bachelor of Science – Aeronautical Science
Associate in Science – Aviation Management
Associate in Science – Aeronautical Studies

Basic Safety School – Air Line Pilots Association, International

Aviation Safety Management Systems (SMS) – MITRE Aviation Institute

NTSB Accident Investigation Orientation – National Transportation Safety Board

NTSB Aircraft Accident Investigation - National Transportation Safety Board

CERTIFICATES AND RATINGS

Airline Transport Pilot

Type Ratings:

Embraer: EMB-110

Douglas: DC-9/MD-80

Boeing: B-737, B-757/B-767

Airbus: A-319/A-320/A-321

Flight Engineer – Turbojet

Certified Flight Instructor:

Airplane Single-Engine Land

Airplane Multi-Engine Land

Instrument Airplane

Ground Instructor:

Advanced

Instrument

AIRCRAFT FLOWN

C-150/152, C-172, C-177, C-210, C-310, C-402, M-20C, PA28-140, PA23-150, PA44-180, EMB-110, DC-3, M-404, DC-9, MD-80, B-727, B-737, B-757, B-767, A-319, A-320, A-321

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS and MEMBERSHIPS

American Bar Association

Pennsylvania Bar Association

Allegheny County Bar Association

Lawyer Pilots Bar Association

NTSB Bar Association

American Association for Justice

Defense Research Institute

Plan Attorney – Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association Legal Services Plan

International Society of Air Safety Investigators

US Airline Pilots Association

National Aeronautic Association

Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association

Aviation Insurance Association

University Aviation Association

Society of Aviation and Flight Educators

Admitted to practice:

Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court for Western Pennsylvania

PUBLICATIONS and PRESENTATIONS

“*TSA: Patting Down Your Rights.*” Guest Speaker, Panelist: Pennsylvania Bar Institute Continuing Legal Education Series – May 2011.

Contributing Member, Air Carrier Safety and Pilot Training Aviation Rulemaking Committee – September 2010 – Present.

“*Safety Management Systems.*” Guest Speaker, International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Flight Safety Conference – 2010.

“*Flight and Duty Time Regulations.*” Guest Speaker: Pennsylvania Bar Association, Aeronautical and Space Law Committee Annual Meeting – 2007.

“*Airline-Airport Facilities Agreements – An Overview*” – SMU Journal of Air Law and Commerce, Volume 69, Fall 2004.