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1/2007 to Present – Retired from the FAA after 30 years.

- Currently serve as an independent safety and certification consultant to aviation entities. Currently affiliated with *JDA Aviation Solutions*. and *Nick Sabatini Associates*.

Recent Activities 2007-2010:

- 14CFR121 **Regional Airline Initial Certification**. 13 turbojet aircraft. - 2007
- 14CFR135 **On Demand Charter**. Consolidation of nine 135 Operators into one 135 Certificate, 400+ turbojet aircraft. - 2007
- 14CFR135 **Fractional Owner Operator**. Operations Safety Audit. 500+ turbojet aircraft. - 2008
- 14CFR135 **Fractional Owner Operator**. Training Transition to 14CFR121 Subparts N & O – 700+ turbojet aircraft. - 2008
- 14CFR121 **Regional Airline**. ATOS Implementation. 50 turboprop aircraft. – 2007-2008
- 14CFR121 **Regional Airline**. Operations Safety Audit. 120 turbojet aircraft. - 2009
- 14CFR121 **Regional Airline**. Operations Safety Audit. 100+ Turbojet aircraft. - 2009
- 14CFR135/121 **Combination** – Certification. Part135 to 121 Supplemental. 30 turbojet aircraft. – 2009-2010
- 14CFR135 **Expert Witness** –Fatal Accident. - 2009 -2010
- 14CFR135 **On Demand Charter**. Initial Certification. 2 turbojet aircraft. - 2009
- 14CFR121 **Regional Airline**. Operations Safety Audit. 100+ turbojet aircraft. - 2010

2003-2006 – FAA - Supervisory Principal Operations Inspector – PIT/PHX CMO

- Served as the Supervisory Principal Operations Inspector on two major airlines simultaneously to facilitate the merger of the two airlines.
- Supervised 24 FAA Inspectors including Air Crew Program Managers, Cabin Safety Inspectors, and administrative personnel.
- Implemented and maintained a continuous surveillance program using the FAA's Air Transportation Oversight System (ATOS).
- Responsible for all aspects of a Major Air Carrier's Operations as applicable, to ensure compliance with Title 14 CFR Part 121 et.al, in addition to other FAA policies and directives.

1970-2004 - US Army Reserve.

- Held various positions including Command of aviation units, operations and safety officer, flight instructor, and pilot for the Commanding General. (Retired after 38years of service, 4 active 34 reserve.)

2001-2003 – FAA Air Transportation Division (AFS-220) – FAA HQ, Washington, DC

- Served as the FAA's recognized technical expert, authority, and agency's liaison to the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) on matters concerning the air carrier airworthiness requirements, all other associated airworthiness issues, operational control, pilot and flight attendant duties, cabin procedures, carry-on baggage, passenger handling, carriage of cargo, HAZMAT/dangerous goods, MEL/CDL procedures, training of crew members and dispatchers, and any other associated operational or maintenance issue.

1997-2001- FAA - Assistant Principal Operations Inspector. PIT CMO

- Primary responsibility with a major air carrier, for the planning and design, organizing, directing and controlling of the entry of the airline into the Advanced Qualification Program (AQP) for pilot flight crewmembers.
- Implemented a flight crew Aviation Safety Action Program (ASAP).

1989-1997 - FAA -Aircrew Program Manager DC9, MD-80, BAE-146. PIT CMO

- Certification of Airmen and oversight of Aircrew Designated Examiners and Check Airmen on assigned aircraft, in addition to assisting the APM on the AirBus 330 in ETOPS and international operations.

1988 – 1989 - FAA -Supervisory Principal Operations Inspector – General Aviation. AGC FSDO

- Supervised the surveillance and compliance activities of nine Aviation Safety Inspectors whose duties included oversight of varied and complex general aviation activities. FAR 135, 121, 125, 133,137, 139, 141.

1985-1988 – FAA - Principal Operations Inspector-General Aviation AGC FSDO

- Served as the Principal on as many as 11 FAR 135 Operators, whose fleets ranged from single engine aircraft, to rotary wing aircraft to small turbo-jet aircraft. Specialized in rotary wing agricultural and external load operations, while also serving as the POI on a major operator of as many as 50 HEMS rotary wing aircraft.

1980-1995 – Small Business Owner (15 years)

- Co-owned and Operated a Vending Business, which at peak growth, reached 15 additional employees and 18 delivery trucks.

1980-1985 - FAR Part 135 Air Carrier Operator “Gateway Motels”.

- Served as the Director of Operations, Chief Pilot and Check Airman in Small Fixed Wing Multiengine Airplanes and Helicopters. Operated and piloted KDKA TV’s “Chopper 2” in the conduct of news gathering services.

1978-1980 – FAA - Air Carrier Operations Inspector PIT ACDO, DC-9

- Conducted certification flight testing of pilots in flight and in simulation.

1975-1978 – FAA - Aviation Safety Inspector General Aviation AGC GADO

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1972- 1975 – Flight Instructor – Army Aviation Flight Facility 99th USARCOM

1970-1972 – Public Accountant – City of Youngstown, Ohio

1966-1970 – USArmy – Fixed and Rotary Wing Aviator

- *Distinguished Flying Cross*
- *Air Medal with “V” 11 Oak Leaf Clusters*
- *Ohio Military Hall of Fame Inductee: <http://www.ohioheroes.org/inductees/2005/kountz.htm>*

FAA Certificates:

AIRLINE TRANSPORT PILOT

- AMEL -CE-500, CE650, DC9, MD80, SD3, BAE-146, AVR-146, A-330

COMMERCIAL PILOT

- ASEL, Rotorcraft Helicopter, Instrument-Helicopter

CERTIFIED FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR

- AMEL, ASEL, Rotorcraft Helicopter, Instrument - Airplane and Helicopter (exp 09/2012)

Medical Certificate

- Current – Class II Medical, dated May, 2010.

Education:

Bachelor of Science,- Troy State University, Troy, AL

- Business Administration - Accounting

US Army Safety Officer Course – University of Southern California, Los Angeles

- Army Certified Aircraft Accident Investigator.

FAA – Systems Safety, ATOS.

ISO-9000 Lead Auditor (2004)

Accredited: IS-BAO Auditor (2010)