# William J. Wilson

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# **FAA Aviation Certificates:**

Certificated Flight Instructor (Aircraft Single Engine Land) Expires Feb '17

**Advanced Ground Instructor** 

Certificated Tower Operator (Navy "A" School)

Light Sport Repairman-Inspection

Commercial Pilot

Instrument Airplane

Multi-engine Airplane

## Flight Experience

1500 Total Hours. Personally owned 17 aircraft from small taildraggers to high performance singles to pressurized twins flown for business and pleasure.

#### Instruction

CFI since 2008. Most instruction has been designing and teaching sport/private pilot courses under part 61, accomplishing flight reviews for a variety of pilots and instructing tailwheel flying. I have taught tailwheel flying in 7ECA and 7KCAB Citabrias, 7AC and 7BCM Champs, and Luscombs; developed and taught flying and ground school for sport/private pilot students in the A-22 Valor and Flight Design CTSW, transitioned students into the PA-28R-180 Arrow and the PA-28-180 Cherokee. Ground school was a major part of every flight review over the past six years, as well as part of the course work in the sport/private pilot curriculum.

#### **Education:**

Carbondale (IL) Community HS, Diploma 1962

BA Indiana University Dept of Telecommunications, 1968 (Undergraduate work included 1 yr at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL, campus, and a second year of University of Maryland extension credits while serving on active duty)

MA Ball State University Dept of Journalism, 1976

University of Pennsylvania Wharton School Post graduate Television News Director course

## **Work History:**

1963-1966 U.S. Navy active duty as air controller, Naples, Italy

1966-1968 Indiana University student

1968-1979 WRTV/ABC Indianapolis, IN. reporter, anchorman, executive news producer

1979-1981 KMTV/NBC Omaha, NE. News director

1981-1982 WSTM/NBC Syracuse, NY. News director

1982-1985 KDFW/CBS Dallas, TX. News director

1985-2007 Owner of Communiqué, a video and interactive multimedia marketing and production company in Indianapolis, Indiana. International clients included, Pioneer Electronics, Phillips Electronics, General Motors, Ford Motor Company, Chrysler Motors, Vitesse Private Jets and scores of local clients. Wrote, produced and narrated hundreds of marketing and training products. 2007-Present Author of magazine articles and books with aviation themes. Restorer of standard certificate aircraft and builder of experimental aircraft as a business enterprise.

### Military:

1963-1966 U.S. Navy active duty as air controller, Naples, Italy

U.S. Navy Reserve 1974-1995 Public Affairs Officer. Postings across America. Retired as a Captain (0-6) in 1995.

# **Personal**

Married, two grown children.

#### Publications in chronological order

HOLIDAY MAGAZINE "Fly Away Weekends" April, 1971-October 1973 as Aviation Editor AOPA PILOT Magazine "Getting Along with the News Media" January 1972

"The Perfect Flying Job" April 1972

"GENAVE, Low Cost Avionics Leader" June 1972

"Indiana's Co-educational Military Academy" Sept 1972

PRIVATE PILOT "Hoosier Helper" July 1972

AIRPORT SERVICES MANAGEMENT Magazine "CRF Training" August 1973

AOPA PILOT Magazine "Muncie, Delaware County's Airport" Sept 1973

AIRPORT WORLD Magazine "Elkhart Mirrors Small Airport GSE Needs" Dec 1973

"The Shame of Double Standards" Feb 1974

"Flat Rates for Mechanics" April 1974

AOPA PILOT Magazine "Pilot Flight Check, Cherokee Pathfinder" May 1974

AERO Magazine "The Clean Speedster" Aug 1974

AOPA PILOT Magazine "DABS, ATC's Wave of the Future" January 1975

AIR PROGRESS Magazine "GENAVE: Bill Rice's Brainchild" November 1975

AERO Magazine "Solo, Elusive Solo." January 1976

"The Aztec F...A Pilot Flight Check." May 1976

AOPA PILOT Magazine "Marathon, a Taste of Foreign Shores At Home" May 1976

AOPA PILOT Magazine "Kings Computer Weather Eye" June 1976

BEGINNING IN TELEVISION NEWS: A Handbook for Interns Masters thesis 1976 CESSNA PILOTS Magazine "Why Recurrent Training for 337 Pilots Makes Sense" Dec 1997

GENERAL AVIATION NEWS "Shorty Graves, 42 Years an FBO." December 2000 "The Viking Doctor" December 2003

"Save Your Airport, Throw a Party" August 2005

CESSNA PILOTS ASSOCIATION Magazine "Buy a Condo, Learn to Fly" June 2008 NORTHERN INDIANA LAKES Magazine "Wawasee Airport" October 2008

B-C CONTACT "One Legged Landing" January 2011

EAA SPORT AVIATION Magazine "Flying Again 40 Years Later" July 2011

"New AeroMax Kit Built by EAA Chapter 132" Feb 2012

AIR&SPACE Magazine "Wauchula Welcomes Rotorheads" July 2012

GENERAL AVIATION NEWS "The Go To Guy" July 2012

FLYING Magazine "I Learned About Flying From That" November 2013

EAA SPORT AVIATION Magazine "Cheap Gas, High Price" November 2013

GENERAL AVIATION NEWS "Want to Sell Your Plane?" December 2013

AOPA PILOT MAGAZINE "Valkaria Finds the Formula" August 2014

GENERAL AVIATION NEWS "One Man Aircraft Factory" November 2014

GENERAL AVIATION NEWS "Sebring LSA Show Grows" February 2015