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Aviation Credentials

➤ Advanced & Instrument Ground Instructor	➤ Private Pilot Certificate
➤ Part 121 Aircraft Dispatcher Certificate	○ Instrument Rated

Education

B.S.B.A. Hotel & Restaurant Management, University of Denver, Denver, Colorado, 1984

Aircraft Dispatcher Certificate, Denver, Colorado, 2009

Work Experience

TNL Aviation	February 2017 to Present	President
Independence Aviation	October 2010 to Present	Special Projects, Business Development Manager
Crosswind Concepts, Ltd.	November 2012 to Present	Manager
EFC Aviation, Ltd.	July 2006 to December 2015	President
The Albrecht Group, Inc.	January 1990 to July 2006	President

Professional Experience

Entrepreneurial business experience ranges from highly successful enterprises in commercial real estate appraisal and computer networking to various aviation operations including ownership of a flight-simulation company; business development manager for a prestigious Cirrus Training Center (2016 CTC of the Year); and management of a specialty training facility utilizing simulated hands-on training for pilots to develop superior crosswind skills.

Aviation Education

Pursued involvement in aviation upon sale of computer network consulting company in 2005. Partnering with a well-established flight instructor, established EFC Aviation in 2007 to own and operate an AATD flight simulator. Achieved the prerequisite Advanced and Instrument Ground Instructor certificates to achieve a highly successful run teaching students in various Private and Instrument ground schools.

Created specialized aviation training seminars and classes including Airspace Review, DPE Roundtable, Flight Review Ground School and others.

Involved in presentation of many seminars and classes using technology in the cockpit with a strong emphasis on the Apple iPad and related applications.

Managed and assisted with the topics, presentations and meetings of pilot proficiency groups, including the IMC Club at Independence Aviation (IA) and Complete Proficiency Approach pilot proficiency program.

Presented many “Mastering Crosswind” seminars, including at Sun ‘n Fun (2015), Kansas City (2015), Nashville (2015), Omaha (2015), AirVenture (2015 & 2016), as well as on a continuous basis in the state of Colorado.

Managed the crosswind-training scenario utilizing the Redbird Xwind crosswind trainer at AirVenture’s Pilot Proficiency Center in 2016.

Management

As the owner of various firms, I have been engaged in the day-to-day management of diverse enterprises, gaining a deep understanding of and appreciation for the importance of creating a team and promoting a vision. The ability to adapt and change is critical in any business, a feat I have successfully navigated many times, especially with my technology company. While aviation is no different, it presents a unique set of challenges now familiar to me.

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Recognizing the importance of relationship building and business promotion, I became the first Business Development Manager for IA, a forward-looking and prestigious Cirrus Training Center in the Rocky Mountain Region. I assisted in the development and promotion of the company such that during my career, the firm increased the fleet from 5 to 13 aircraft and the instructor corps from 8 to 18. In addition, we published several articles by various staff members, including myself. Of particular interest was an article published in the December 2016 issue of AOPA Pilot that featured our Complete Proficiency Approach program in which I played a key management role.

Technology

Having built a business in computer networking, I am proficient in many aspects of technology, including a distinct focus on flight simulation that utilizes digital devices for just about everything. My acumen with these devices makes me particularly suited to developing successful programs using new and emerging technology.

A deep immersion in training with flight simulation devices helped me to develop expertise in the use of computer technology in the cockpit, especially with iPads and other tablets which continually assume greater importance for savvy pilots. My ability to understand and teach the applications for these devices is a key asset in my aviation instruction capabilities.

Safety

An active FAA Safety FAASTeam Representative since 2010, involved in countless safety seminar presentations and productions. Assisted with presentation of aviation weather seminars presented by IA since 2011. Led several iPad seminars with IA and MyGoFlight, both locally and nationally at Sun ‘n Fun and AirVenture.

Have sponsored many tours of ATC facilities including Centennial and Rocky Mountain Metro Tower, Colorado Springs Tower and TRACON, Denver TRACON, Denver Center, Denver Tower and Buckley Air Force Base Tower.

Leadership Experience

Have served in leadership roles in charitable pursuits, most notably in the Lions Club, a civic service organization in Denver, Colorado. The Club is a founding club (1917) with a longstanding tradition of service and leadership in the Denver community. During my tenure, we had 185 members with many different committees. I helped lead a transition in office management, including a continuing organizational evolution into distinct teams to take care of the various facets of the Club. We hosted the Colorado State Convention and featured a candidate for International Director.