

## **DAVID DEMPSEY**

**SUMMARY – AVIATION RELATED EXPERIENCE:** Master Certified Flight Instructor, Commercial Pilot, Instrument and Advanced Ground Instructor. Former owner and co-founder of the American Aviation Network LLC, a ground and flight training school based in New York City. Founder of ‘NYC Area, Master CFI group. Focus on instructing for ‘glass cockpit’ conversion training. Over twenty-five years of aviation industry experience as Investment Banker and Management Consultant to airlines, air taxi and other aviation related entities.

### **BOARD MEMBERSHIPS & EXPERIENCE:**

<b>HONG KONG ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK, Director</b>	<b>2014 – to present</b>
<b>NEW IRELAND FUND, Director, a NYSE listed closed end fund</b>	<b>2007 – to present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Director and Chair of Governance &amp; Nominations Committee</b></li><li>- <b>Member of Audit Committee</b></li><li>- <b>Former Chair of Valuation Committee</b></li></ul>	
<b>PENNELL VENTURE PARTNERS, LLC (Private Equity fund)</b>	<b>1998 - 2006</b>
<b>205-69 APARTMENTS, INC., Director &amp; V.P. of 60 unit Co-operative Bldg.</b>	<b>2001 - 2006</b>
<b>NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</b>	<b>1982 – 1985</b>
<b>AIIESEC U.S. INC., Director (International Student Business organization)</b>	<b>1976 – 1988</b>

### **FLYING & RELATED EXPERIENCE:**

#### **Ratings & Certificates:**

- Commercial Pilot
- Instrument Rating - Airplane
- Master Flight Instructor-Airplane
- Gold Seal Instructor
- Certified Flight Instructor – Airplane Instrument
- Advanced Ground Instructor
- Instrument Ground Instructor

### **Instructor Experience:**

Independent instructor for two New York City area flight schools (at KTEB & KCDW) as well as for AirShares Elite, one of the largest fractional operators of the Cirrus aircraft. As Captain for Civil Air Patrol, U.S. Air Force affiliate, acted as check pilot and instructor 'check pilot' Former owner and co-founder of the American Aviation Network LLC, a New York City based school that provided flight, ground and simulator training for primary, instrument and commercial pilots over an eight year period..

### **Other Aviation Activities:**

- Presenter at FAA FAAS Team Seminars re 'Recurrent Training' and 'Finding/Keeping well qualified CFI's.'
- Published articles, most recently on perfecting 'Practice Instrument Approaches'
- Member of Society of Aviation & Flight Educators (SAFE)
- Member of Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association (AOPA)
- AOPA Airport Support Network ex-volunteer for Sussex Airport, NJ. (KFWN)
- Member of National Association of Flight Instructors (NAFI) & EAA
- Founder of 'NYC Area, Master CFI group, chairing the quarterly meetings/conference calls since 2002
- 'Angel Flight' Northeast pilot
- FAA Wings Safety Program

### **BUSINESS EXPERIENCE:**

Managing Director, <b>BENTLEY ASSOCIATES L.P., NEW YORK</b>	Current
Chief Executive Officer, <b>VC EXPERTS INC.</b>	2002 to 2003
Manager of Privatization Program in Budapest, <b>GOVERNMENT OF HUNGARY &amp; Government of Poland</b> , Manager of Sector Privatization Program, Warsaw 1992 to 1994	
Vice President, M&A Group, <b>BANKERS TRUST</b> , New York	1988 to 1991
Vice President, M&A, <b>PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES Inc.</b> , New York	1985 to 1987
Principal, <b>BOOZ ALLEN &amp; HAMILTON</b> , New York	1982 to 1985

### **EDUCATION:**

Bachelor of Commerce degree from **University College Dublin**, M.B.A. from **Fordham University Graduate Business School** and a former Visiting Professional at **New York University**.