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Vital Resume.

EDUCATION

Wausau High School, Wisconsin, "Lettered" in Varsity Sports and Music [1966-69].

University of Wisconsin (SP), Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree/International Politics [1969-1973].

U.S. Army Reserve Officer Training Corps, "Distinguished Military Graduate" UWSP [1969-1973].

Washburn University School of Law *Juris* Doctor (J.D.) Degree (Dean's List), Topeka, Kansas [1976-1979].

U. S. Government (GSA)/Federal Protective Service security officer course, Kansas City, Kansas [1977].

University of Southern California Jet Helicopter Accident Investigation International School, Los Angeles, California [1981].

General Motors/Detroit Diesel Allison Jet Helicopter Pilot Engine Course, Indianapolis, Indiana [1981].

Certified Property-Casualty Underwriter Parts 5 & 6 passed, plus numerous seminars and classes on aircraft accident investigation, aviation insurance and environmental claims handling.

LICENSES and AUTHORIZATIONS

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Private Pilot Airplane License [1970].

National Security Agency (NSA) security qualification: "Secret" Clearance [1973].

FAA Commercial Pilot License for Multi-Engine Land, Instrument Airplanes and Gliders; Aero-Tow [1977-present].

Licensed Attorney, Kansas State Bar and United States Federal District Court Bar [1979-present].

FAA Certificated Flight Instructor for Helicopters and Instrument Instructor for Single-Engine Air and Seaplanes [1981-present].

Federal Communications Commission Technician Class Radio License #: N2YWW [1996-present].

FAA Air Transport Pilot (ATP) License for Single-Engine Land Airplanes [2009-present].

U. S. Coast Guard Boating/PWC Safety Course: NJ Licensed Motor Vessel Captain [2009-present].

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Summer and part-time jobs in Wisconsin during high school and college working at a cheese factory, a lumber yard and a paper mill [1967-1973].

Operations Officer (General Manager) for Security Systems of Topeka, Inc. [1976-79].

Various flying jobs for the State of Kansas and for Kansas Air Ad, Inc. [1976-1979].

Federal Protective Service Officer-in-Charge for Federal Building/Courthouse, Topeka, Kansas [1977-79].

Associated Aviation Underwriters (AAU), Senior Claims Attorney, Detroit, Michigan Office [1979-1983].

International Aviation Theft Bureau Board of Director's Charter member [1980-1991].

AAU, Regional Claims Manager (8 state territory), Assistant Vice President, Chicago Office [1983-1987].

Chicago Chamber of Commerce, Aviation Committee, FAA Heliport Task Force member [1984-87].

Oshkosh Air Show (AirVenture) aviation insurance Claims Manager [1985 & 1986].

AAU, Director of Branch Office Claims (10 offices nation-wide), Director of General Aviation Liability & Director of Environmental Claims, Vice President, Home Office, Short Hills, New Jersey [1987-1991].

Updated and re-wrote the Claims Manual for an international aviation insurance company [1989].

Sky Insight Consultants, Sole Proprietor, Aviation and Environmental Claims consulting. Pilot Expert Witness and Aviation Consultant for various and sundry insurance and litigation matters [1991-present].

New Jersey Property Liability Insurance Guaranty Assoc. Environment Claims Team Leader [1992-95].

Chief Pilot/Reporter, Shadow Traffic/WCBS radio station, New York City area, New York [1996-2002].

MMU Fuels, Inc., Manager, aircraft refueling service West Tie Down, KMMU, New Jersey [1998-99].

Chief Flight & Ground School Instructor and Board of Director member, Eagle Flight Squadron, Inc., KCDW & East Orange, NJ. [2000-present].

Operations Safety Officer for the Morristown Flight Training Center FBO [1999-present].

Aviat Aircraft Factory Dealer for the Central Northeast Region-USA (NJ, NY, DE & MD) [2007].

Member of NYC/NJ FAA Class B Airspace Response *ad hoc* Committee representing the Morristown (KMMU) and Essex County (KCDW) airports for the Tri-State area [2009-2010].

Published Author with articles on Environmental and Aviation subjects [1983-present].

Published Aerial Photographer [1998-present].

MILITARY

U.S. Army Airborne and Ranger Schools (Officer Cadet Class), Fort Benning, Georgia [1972].

U.S. Army Basic Armor Officer School, Fort Knox, Kentucky [1973-1974].

1st Infantry Division (Mechanized), Chemical, Biological and Radiological (CBR) Warfare Officer School, Fort Riley, Kansas [1974].

United States Air Force Aux. (CAP) Captain, Search & Rescue (SAR) Pilot [1966-present].

U.S. Army Paratrooper (Airborne) Qualified - Jump Aircraft: C-5A Galaxy, C-141 Starlifter jets, C-130 Hercules prop-jet, CH-47 Chinook, CH-46 Sky Knight, UH-1 Huey and OH-58 Kiowa helicopters [1972].

U.S. Army Ranger Qualified (elite light infantry). 14,000 Second Lieutenant's were commissioned in 1973; 80 were Airborne-Rangers.

Approved Instructor for all light Infantry subjects including mountaineering/tactical climbing, cliff and helicopter rappelling, 1, 2 & 3 rope bridge building/river crossing, arctic (snowshoes/skis) and amphibious (U.S. Navy LCM/rubber assault boat) operations, land navigation, FM radio communications for air & artillery fire missions/encoding-decoding, survival, First Aid, demolitions (C-4/TNT), hand-to-hand combat and light weapons (M-16A1 automatic assault rifle; M-1911 semi-automatic pistol; M-203/M-79 40mm grenade launcher and M-60 7.62mm medium machine gun).

United States Army Reserve Officer Commission as a Second Lieutenant-Armor Branch [1973].

U.S. Army Armor Officer School graduate; qualified as a Main Battle Tank and Armored Cavalry Reconnaissance Platoon Leader (1973).

Approved Instructor for all Armored Cavalry Reconnaissance Platoon subjects including tactical employment of two M-114 20mm automatic cannon scout tracks; two M-106 4.2" tracked mortar carriers; two M-113 M-2 .50 cal. heavy machine gun armored personnel carriers (APC's) with 20 soldiers; and two M-551 Airborne Armored Sheridan light tanks with 152mm gun/launcher systems firing various conventional rounds plus the Shillelagh infra-red guided anti-tank/anti-helicopter missile (43 men).

Commanding Officer of the Lead Tank Platoon - First Infantry Division ('Big Red One'), 1st Brigade, 1st Bn/63rd Armor, Bravo Company, 3rd Platoon ("Third Herd"), with seven (7) M-60A-1 Main Battle Tanks (MBTs @ 56 tons apiece; combat-loaded) [1974-75].

Qualified during annual Tank Gunnery as "Distinguished" (Expert) Tank Commander/Platoon Leader (7 M-60A-1 MBTs) [1973-75].

U.S. Army "Expert" Qualification for all Main Battle Tank weapons including Vickers M-68 rifled 105mm (4") main gun; M-85 .50 cal. anti-aircraft/material heavy machine gun (personal weapon); M-73 7.62mm co-axial machine gun and M-3 .45 cal. automatic sub-machine gun (28 men) [1973-75].

U.S. Army "Expert" Qualification for the M-1911 .45 cal. semi-automatic pistol [1972].

U.S. Army "Sharpshooter" Qualification for the M-16 5.56mm Automatic Assault Rifle [1972].

U.S. Army Tank Company Supply Officer (17 MBTs & 128 men) [1973-75].

U.S. Army Tank Company CBR Officer (128 men) [1974-1975].

U.S. Army Tank Gunnery Assistance Team (TGAT) Leader for Central USA (CONUS) [1974-75].

Recipient of Certificate for Outstanding Service with the 1st Battalion/63rd Armor/1st Infantry Division [1975].

Officer Evaluation Report (OER) scores were 196 and 199 out of 200 [1974 & 1975].

Offered and declined an U.S. Army REGULAR Officer's commission - three times [1973-1975].

Department of Defense/U.S. Army Honorable Discharge as a 1st Lieutenant [1979].

Service-Connected Disability rating of 10% by U.S. Veteran's Administration (Vietnam Era; hearing loss from MBT cannon fire).

Six (6) airplane flight students accepted to United States Military Academies (3 to Air Force, 1 to Navy, 1 to West Point and 1 to the Coast Guard Academy).

AVIATION

First flight [1966] (DC-3 then Ford Tri-Motor); over 15,500 logged flight hours; 10,000 cross-country with 6,200+ hours flight instructing, 500 night and 700 hours as an instrument single-pilot.

1,000 flight hours of towing banners and flying "SkyCaster" night advertising tail wheel aircraft [1975-1979].

U. S. Civil Defense/USAF Aux. Aerial Radiological Monitor; post-nuclear strike bomb damage assessment (BDA) Mission Pilot [1975-1979].

Corporate Pilot for two State of Kansas Attorney Generals [1976-79].

Human Organ Transport Pilot, Kidney Foundation of Kansas [1977-1979].

Flew "bush" airplanes in the Yukon and Alaska (formation cross-country from Manhattan, Kansas-Anchorage, Alaska) [1978].

Corporate Pilot/Maintenance Officer AAU for company A-36 and F-33 Bonanzas [1979-1991].

Chief Pilot/Reporter for Shadow Traffic/WCBS with 7,000+ flight hours over the New York City environs [1996-2002].

Maintenance Officer for the Eagle Flight Squadron, personal and company aircraft (4) [1991-present].

Researched/wrote Safety & Operations SOP Manual for the FTC FBO, LLC. [2002-present].

Worked/investigated 400+ jet helicopter accidents plus hundreds of fixed-wing crashes [1979-present].

Owner since 1991 of a 1966 Beechcraft Debonair "high performance/complex" airplane (5,600 hours).

Flown over 150 different models of aircraft including:

P-51 Mustang WWII fighter; F-80 Shooting Star (T-33) jet fighter; AT-6 Texan; T-34 Mentor; Siai Marchetti SF-260WF; Glasair III fighter trainers; Rolls-Royce powered Breezey, Pitts S-2A; Grob (glider); Super Decathlon aerobatic planes, and Bell 206L-II & III; Hughes 500C; Robinson R-22; Brantley B-2B; Hughes TH-55; Enstrom F-280 helicopters.

U.S. Army trained on full-motion combat flight simulator for CH-47 Chinook and UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters, 101st Airborne, Fort Campbell, KY. [1991].

Researched/built/self taught-flew a 7 foot long radio control 1/6th scale AH-1 Huey Cobra attack helicopter model (first in the U.S. Midwest) [1975].

Test Pilot for maiden flight of Baby Ace D Experimental airplane built by a high school industrial arts class [1982].

Spin and Upset (unusual attitude) Recovery training for Flight Instructor candidates [2009-present].

Aerobatic lessons and rides [2007-present].

Complex/High Performance airplane and Tailwheel training and endorsements [2007-present].

300+ New York City aerial tours [1983-present].

Aerial resupply by parachuting food (C-rations/MREs, *etc.*) and beverages to campers & refugees.

Six (6) unsolicited in-flight engine shut-downs resulting in uneventful/no damage forced landings.

AFFILIATIONS

Civil Air Patrol Captain & Squadron Legal Officer [1966-present].

Disabled American Veteran (DAV) Gold Commander Club [1977-present].

U. S. Army Armor/Cavalry Officer's Association Life Member [1979-present].

Lawyer-Pilot Bar Association member [1979-present].

National Rifle Association Life Member [1979-present].

Seaplane Pilots Association member [1981-present].

Aircraft Owner's and Pilot's Association member [1983-present].

32nd Degree Master Free Mason and Masonic Shriner [1984-1993].

American Legion past Post Commander and Color Guard Captain, Whippanong Post 155 [1996-2016].

St. Joseph Lakota Indian School "Premier" Supporter [2005-present].

New Jersey Aviation Association (NJAA) member [2007-present].

National World War II Museum Charter Member [2007-present].

Morristown Airport Association (MAA) member [2008-2015].

Tuskegee Airman, Inc. member [2009-present].

Mid-Atlantic Aviation Coalition Board of Directors Officer, Vice President of Operations [2010-2014].

AWARDS

YMCA Shark level and Life Guard qualified (YMCA & Boy Scouts) Danville, Illinois [1962-66].

Boy Scouts of America Life Scout rank (19 Merit Badges) with the Order of the Arrow [1963-1966].

AMVETS (American Veterans) Top ROTC graduate National Award [1973].

West Law Publishing 'Top Paper' National Award for the Uniform Commercial Code law examination [1979].

USAF/CAP Bronze Medal of Valor for flying a Red Cross blood re-supply SAR mission [1979].

USAF/CAP Command Aviator Pilot Wings [1992-present].

USAF/CAP Service Ribbons w Devices for 4 "Finds" and 2 "Saves" flying SAR missions [1966-1979].

U.S. Army National Defense Service Medal [1975].

U.S. Military Cold War Veteran Service Ribbon (2007).

Morris County, New Jersey's Vietnam Era Veteran Medal [2007].

Morris County, New Jersey's Cold War Veteran Medal [2008].

American Legion New Jersey State Champion Color Guard Captain, Wildwood, NJ [2006, 2009 & 2011].

State of New Jersey Gil Robb Wilson Award for "Outstanding contributions to New Jersey Aviation" [2009].

State of New Jersey Governor's Aviator Medal [2009].

Essex County Civic Club 105th anniversary C. Attucks Award for "his remarkable record of community leadership and professional achievement" [2015].

New Jersey Legislature Assembly Resolution "commending meritorious record of service, leadership, and commitment" [2015].