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Summary:

Professional Airline Transport Pilot, Safety Management Systems and Library Systems.
Dedicated to the continuous improvement of aerospace safety.

University Education:

Master of Library Science, Texas Woman's University, 2010, Denton, TX.
Specialty: Academic Libraries
Post Graduate Studies, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterrey, CA.
Specialty: Aviation Safety
Bachelor of Arts, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX
Specialty: Far East, Middle East and Amphibious Warfare.

Work History:

2000-2025: Delta Air Lines. Type rated on B-777 and DC-9.
Current B-717 Captain for international and domestic operations.
Supported ALPA's Human Factors, SMS and Accident Investigation teams, taught Human Factors in Accident Investigation.
Participated in numerous NTSB investigations, including human factor analysis for Colgan 3407, Pinnacle 4712, Delta 8 and Comair 5191 mishaps.
Founding member of Part 121 Airline Safety Management Systems initiative.
FAA Runway Safety Council.
Delta/Northwest Aviation Safety Action Program Integration team.

1979-1999: U. S. Marine Corps Combat Veteran. 20 years active duty.
Unrestricted Naval Aviator flight duties for both airplane and helicopter.
Standardization Instructor and Maintenance Functional Check Pilot.
Helicopter Technical Search and Rescue (SAR) Instructor Pilot.
Tactical Formation Instructor.
Terrain Flight Instructor.
Carrier Landing Instructor.
Night SAR Systems Instructor.
Director of Safety and Standardization.
Safety Department Head.
Aviation Safety Officer.
Aviation Mishap Board.
Human Factors Council.
Ground Safety Officer.
Hazmat Officer Training Officer.
Search And Rescue Officer.
Logistics Officer.

Executive Officer Headquarters and Service Battalion
Executive Officer, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron
Quality Assurance Officer, Maintenance.
Equal Employment and Opportunity Officer

2003-Present: FAA Safety Team Lead Representative.
Created the HF & SMS Seminar 2009-2011 for General Aviation with the FAA Safety Team Ft Worth FSDO, sharing Part 121 and military learning lessons.
Signal Charlie blogspot

Professional Education and Skills:

Human Factors Analysis And Classification System (HFACS).
FAA SMS Instructor Course.
Total Quality Leadership.
In Command, Delta Air Lines
FAA Certificated Flight Instructor, Certificated Flight Instructor – Instrument, Certificated Flight Instructor – Multiengine. Commercial Rotorcraft rating – Instrument.
ALPA Accident Investigation I, II and III.
ALPA Accident Investigation School Human Factors Instructor.
Crew Resource Management Instructor.
Air Officer.
Tactical Air Control Party.
Fire Support Coordinator.
Laser Systems Safety Officer.
Aviation Life Support Systems Officer.
Combat Water Survival Qualification.
Safety NCO and Tech Pubs Librarian, Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 323
Communications, Navigation, Identification – Electronic Countermeasures Technician
US Marine Corps Leadership Training – Boot Camp, Officer Candidate School, The Basic School.

Security Clearances:

Top Secret/ SCI
Top Secret/SSBI – Yankee White Presidential Access

Publications:

Implementing Safety Management Systems in Aviation. Ashgate Publishing. 2011
Practical Risk Management. Kindle Direct Publishing.
Runway Safety. ALPA Air Safety.
Approach Magazine. Naval Safety Center.
Performance Data Errors in Air Carrier Operations. Dismukes, Berman, Jobe. Technical Review.

Honors and Awards:

Best Captain Commendation, Peer Nomination, Delta Air Lines
2009 National FAA Safety Team Representative of the Year.
Meritorious Service Medal

Air Medal (3)

Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal

Good Conduct Medal

Chief of Naval Operations Award Aviation Safety and Operational Excellence Awards (4 times)

Bell Helicopter Technical Rescue Award (3 times).