

## **Common Values Prompt Air Charter Safety Foundation to Join ACANA**

The Air Charter Association of North America (ACANA), a non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing and fostering the air charter industry by promoting best practices and educating consumers about the benefits of private aviation, recently welcomed the Air Charter Safety Foundation (ACSF) as its newest member.

The Air Charter Safety Foundation is a non-profit foundation established to improve the safety of air charter and shared aircraft ownership operations. The ACSF's mission is to advance charter and shared aircraft ownership industry standards and best practices; promulgate safety, security and service benchmarks; and promote the universal acceptance of safety management systems.

ACANA Chairman David McCown said, "Having constructive, informed dialogue among our membership and with the broader aviation community is an essential component to fulfilling our mission. As an ACANA member, the ACSF will enhance the carrier safety operations and regulations dialogue within the ACANA group." McCown continued, "While ACANA membership includes leading Part 135 and Part 121 air carriers, it was originally founded for and continues to consist predominantly of air charter brokers. Through their own activities, the ACSF will be instrumental in communicating to its extensive membership the ACANA ideals, values and concerns. This benefits air carriers, air charter brokers and, ultimately, consumers."

ACSF President Bryan Burns said he was looking forward to joining ACANA. Burns stated, "ACANA's mission to create a benchmark for excellence and professionalism helping air charter consumers to make informed decisions about their air charter service provider is exactly aligned with the ACSF's safety mission through their research, collaboration and educational programs. It's a win-win for members of both organizations."

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