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JASON LORENZON EARNS NAFI MASTER INSTRUCTOR ACCREDITATION

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The National Association of Flight Instructors is proud to announce that NAFI member Jason Lorenzon has earned accreditation as a NAFI Master Flight Instructor.

Lorenzon said that as a boy he loved to watch airplanes flying over his house in Windsor, Ontario, Canada and dreamed of one day learning to fly. When he was old enough, he began flying lessons at the Windsor



Flying Club and his love of flying grew. Since his parents were concerned for his safety and did not want him to pursue flying as a career, he would often sneak to the airport, and at the age of 18 he received his pilot's certificate.

At the University of Western Ontario, Lorenzon pursued a degree in political science and music, and met his future wife Heather, who was also working on obtaining her pilot's certificate. Knowing that it is rare to meet someone with the dream of flight they began flying together and have enjoyed many adventures, now with their three children and two pug dogs.

While Lorenzon came to Cleveland to pursue a Masters in Piano at the Cleveland Institute of Music and went on to pursue his law degree at Cleveland Marshall School of Law, his love of flying and helping others achieve the dream of flight continued to grow. He became a CFI in 2003 and holds the CFI

instrument and CFI multi-engine ratings. Most recently he became an FAA certified Airline Transport Pilot (multi-engine).

Eventually Lorenzon was able to bring his love of flying and law together at Kent State University where he is the Aeronautics Coordinator while also teaching Aviation Law, Aviation Security and Policy, UAV Courses and instructing commercial and multi-engine students at the Kent State Airport (1G3). Additionally, he also serves as FAA Safety Team Lead for the Cleveland FSDO, practices aviation law, serves as an AOPA panel attorney, serves as Chair of the Aviation Law Committee of the Ohio State Bar, serves on the Aviation Law Committee of the Florida Bar, and is a co-founder/owner of AeroTrek Flight Academy at the Wadsworth Municipal (3G3) airport.

The **NAFI Master Flight Instructor Accreditation** is earned by aviation educators based upon a system of advanced professional standards and peer review. The accreditation identifies and publicly recognizes those teachers of flight who demonstrate an ongoing commitment to excellence, professional growth, and service to the aviation community. The NAFI Master Instructor accreditation is for two years and may be used to renew an FAA flight instructor certificate. Applicants must have been a CFI for two years and have given 1,000 hours of flight instruction. In addition, candidates must meet and document activity in four NAFI Master Instructor categories (Instructor, Educator, Service to the Aviation Community, and Professional Activity).

Members of the **National Association of Flight Instructors** work as independent instructors, at flight schools, universities, FBOs, corporate flight departments and in the military. Since 1967, NAFI and its members, who teach in 30 countries, are dedicated to increasing and maintaining the professionalism of flight instruction. NAFI members influence active pilots daily: students working to become pilots, current pilots training to advance their skills with new ratings or certificates and pilots who seek to improve their skills with recurrent training. NAFI also serves as an advocate with industry and government as a voice for flight instruction. NAFI helps shape the current and future direction of flight training. For more information about NAFI or the NAFI Master Instructor program call **866-806-6156** or visit <u>www.NAFINet.org</u>.