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JERROLD T. HINSHAW EARNS NAFI ASSOCIATE MASTER FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR ACCREDITATION

KALAMAZOO, MI — **9/4/2024** The National Association of Flight Instructors is proud to announce that NAFI member Jerrold T. Hinshaw has earned accreditation as a NAFI Associate Master Flight Instructor.

A Marine brat who grew up around military aviation, Hinshaw has more than 3,500 hours in GA aircraft. He has owned airplanes since the 1990s, including three Mooney and two PA-46 aircraft. He currently owns and flies a Mirage JetProp.

As an instructor, Hinshaw specializes in initial and recurrent training of pilots in Mooney and Piper M-Class airplanes. He works with Archer Aircraft Instructional Services, an insurance industry accepted training center for all the Piper M-Series aircraft. At Archer Aircraft, Hinshaw specializes in the Mirage and JetProp versions. He also teaches at the Mooney



Aircraft Pilots Association Safety Foundation's weekend proficiency programs, held five times a year around the United States. Hinshaw enjoys instructing the upgraded advanced avionics and autopilot systems that are installed on most of these aircraft.

Since 2021, Hinshaw has been an adjunct instructor at the Community College of Baltimore County in the aviation department where he instructs in the college's advanced aviation training device simulators for private, instrument, and commercial students.

Hinshaw holds Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from the University of Southern California in electrical engineering. He has decades of experience as a professional in the design and development of terrestrial and satellite communications and radar systems. Hinshaw helped develop

FAA systems including the Parallel Runway Monitor and Microwave Landing System, with additional experience with transponder/interrogator ATC systems.

Hinshaw holds ASEL, AMEL, CFI, CFII, and AGI certifications.

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 thirty 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 www.NAFINet.org.