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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **AARON DABNEY EARNS NAFI MASTER INSTRUCTOR ACCREDITATION**

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The National Association of Flight Instructors is proud to announce that NAFI member Aaron Dabney has earned accreditation as a NAFI Master Flight Instructor. This is Dabney's third NAFI Master Instructor accreditation.

Dabney has been a full-time CFI since 2009 and has operated Dabney Aviation,



LLC at Waco Regional Airport in Waco, Texas since 2013. He specializes in tailwheel transitions, Piper Cub transitions, and primary training, and is a factory-endorsed transition instructor for the American Legend Cub line of aircraft. Dabney also enjoys serving as an adjunct lecturer in Aviation Sciences at Baylor University, where he earned his Master's Degree in Education in 2009. He has been married to his college sweetheart Alisa for 13 years, and they enjoy traveling and building businesses together.

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>.