

# Captain John M. Cox

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### Aviation Safety Experience

#### President/Chief Executive Officer, Safety Operating Systems, LLC (SOS)

*December 2004 to Present*

- Provide clients with comprehensive, customized, efficient, and operationally effective aviation safety services.
- Conduct ISBAO and ACSF preparation, crisis management plans, media contacts and interviews, legal expert research and testimony, accident or incident investigation, technical support, creation and maintenance of confidential reporting systems, governmental interface and other services.
- Maintain an international client list that includes airlines, civil aviation authorities, business/corporate flight operators and manufacturers, public utilities (gas and electric), and the world's largest oil company.
- In addition to aviation, SOS has expanded Safety Management Systems into public utilities. ***John is a member of a Quality Review Board for a large natural gas and electric provider.***

#### Executive Air Safety Chairman, Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA) International

*February 2001 to December 2004*

- As the top safety official for ALPA, managed over six hundred air safety representatives -- the largest non-governmental air safety organization in the world.
- Responsible for ALPA's domestic and international positions regarding aviation safety and managed an annual budget of more than \$3M.
- Served as point of contact between the ALPA safety structure government, industry, and media on aviation safety matters and one of only seven Executive Air Safety Chairmen in ALPA history.
- Led the team that determined the ALPA air safety position following September 11, 2001 terrorist attack.
- Paved the path for improved safety practices and better accountability in Safety Management Systems.

### Aviation and Audit Affiliations

- Member of the Royal Aeronautical Society Flight Operations Group
- Member of the High Altitude Upset Recovery Steering Team
- Member of the Communications, Navigation and Surveillance Task Force, the All Weather Operations Harmonization Working Group
- Qualified as an Air Charter Safety Foundation and International Standard of Business Aircraft Operations (IS-BAO) auditor

### Professional Affiliations

- International Society of Safety Professionals (2016)
- Royal Aeronautical Society (Fellow 2004)
- Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators/Honourable Company of Air Pilots Liveryman (2004)
- President North American Region (2015/2016)
- Professional Aviation Board of Certification (President 2005-2016, Member since 2004)
- International Society of Air Safety Investigators (Member 1991 – Present)



## Aviation Safety Experience (cont.)

### Executive Air Safety Vice-Chairman, Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA) International

March 2000 to February 2001

- As second-in-command of the ALPA air safety structure, developed budgeting and planning process for the air safety structure.
- Implemented many of the air safety structure's annual events, including the week-long Air Safety Forum.
- Made frequent public appearances for the then Chairman and maintained managerial oversight of more than six hundred air safety representatives.
- In collaboration with the Chairman, implemented a complete restructuring of the safety committee to better match the International Air Line Pilots Associations structure.

### Central Air Safety Chairman, ALPA US Airways

May 1995 to March 2000

- Primary point of contact by the airline and ALPA on safety matters at US Airways.
- Managerial responsibility for over thirty air safety representatives and oversight for the positions taken by ALPA on air safety matters at US Airways.
- During my role as Air Safety Chairman, US Airways became one of the most effective air safety committees within ALPA and many of the committee members rose to senior positions at the national level,
- Helped develop ALPA's national and international positions on safety matters.
- Heavily involved in the investigation of the USAir 427 accident as a NTSB Systems Group member during my time of employment.



## Flight Experience

- Airline Transport Pilot/Airplane Multi-Engine Land: A320, B737, FK28, CE500 (Total ~ 14,000 hours)
- Pilot in Command ~10,000,
- Jet ~10,000

**No Accidents or Investigations**

## Awards

- FAA Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award (2020, FAA)
- Flight Operations Group Silver Medal (2020, Royal Aeronautical Society, only American to receive this award)
- Edward R. Murrow Award (2020, Radio Television Digital News Association)
- Laura Taber Barbour Award (2011, Flight Safety Foundation)
- Outstanding MBA Graduate (2010, Daniel Webster College)
- Sir James Martin Award (2007, Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators) - only American to receive this award
- Master Air Pilot (2004, Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators)
- Presidential Leadership Award (2004, Air Line Pilots Association)
- Steering and Oversight Leadership Award (2004, Air Line Pilots Association)
- Safety Achievement Award (2000, US Airways)
- Annual Air Safety Award (1998, Air Line Pilots Association)

## Auditor

- ACSF Auditor (2023 to present)
- IS-BAO auditor (2005 to present)
- IOSA auditor (2004 to 2008)
- LOSA auditor (1996)



## Employment History

January 2023 - present

- Co-founder and CEO Aviation Safety Compliance, LLC

December 2004 to Present

- CEO Safety Operating Systems

February 1980 to December 2004

- US Airways/US Air/Piedmont Airlines
- Captain A319/A320/A321
- Boeing 737- 200,300,400
- Captain, Instructor and test pilot Fokker F-28
- First Officer YS-11A

November 1979 – February 1980

- McWane Inc: Captain IAI Westwind, Cessna Citation

April 1979 – November 1979

- Hillenbrand Industries: Pilot Grumman, Gulfstream I, Lear 24D

December 1977 - April 1979

- Bright Star Mining: Chief Pilot Beechcraft King Air

December 1973 – December 1977

- Connor Steel Company: Pilot Beechcraft King Air



## Aviation Safety Training

- University of Southern California, Aviation Safety Certificate (1996)
- US Navy, Aviation Safety Command (1998 )
- Airline Pilot Association, multiple safety schools (1988 – 1994)



## Safety Management Systems

Involved in implementing and assessing these Safety Management Systems (SMS):

- Pacific Gas and Electric (2021)
- Novictor Helicopters (2019 to present)
- NiSource QRB (2019 to present)
- Tennessee Valley Authority (2016 to 2019)
- Saudi Aramco (2012 to 2017)



## Accident Investigation Experience

- NTSB Group Member, US Air 5050, 405, 1493, 1016 , and 427
  - Technical Advisor Bell 407 Helicopter accident
  - Technical Advisor UK Air Accident Branch - Embraer Phenom 300 accident
- Technical Advisor Boeing 737 accidents
- Numerous other investigations (10+), details available upon request

## Media Appearances

- NBC Aviation Analyst – 2006 to present
- USA Today Columnist – Ask the Captain – 2006 to 2022
- Interviews in every major outlet in the world, including:

ABC News, BBC, NBC News, CBC, CBS News, CNN, PBS Nova, Discovery Channel, Travel Channel, National Geographic, MSNBC, CSPAN, CBN, Sky4, NPR, TimeMagazine, Aviation Week & Space Technology, Air Safety Week, USA Today, Associated Press, Reuters News, United Press International, Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Los Angeles Times, Tampa Bay Times, Dallas Morning Star, Atlanta Constitution, Miami Herald, Seattle Times, Pittsburgh Post Gazette, Orlando Sentinel, Toronto Globe and Mail, Conde Naste Traveler, Russian Television Network, The Weather Channel, and Flight International.

## Education

- Masters Business Administration – Aviation Management (July 2010)
- Daniel Webster College - Outstanding MBA Graduate (3.93 GPA)

## Academia

- University of Southern California, *Instructor*
- Daniel Webster College, *Adjunct Professor*