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## Lee Kapel, Brent Webb and Mitch Weinberg Elected to ASA Board of Directors

**Washington, DC** - ASA is pleased to announce the outcome of the election for the Board of Directors. Three directors were elected to the Board: **Lee Kapel,** TSI Aviation, Inc. is serving her 4th term; **Brent Webb,** Aircraft Inventory Management & Services, LTD is serving his 8<sup>th</sup> term; and **Mitch Weinberg,** International Aircraft Associates is serving his 10<sup>th</sup> term.

"Leadership during this financial crisis is critical and the members have elected three Directors who own private businesses and who make critical decisions regarding survival and future growth. This type of leadership transcends into decisions that ASA also needs to make. The members have elected Directors that continue to work for the members and who also monitor ASA's activities for success", said Michele Dickstein, President of ASA. "Congratulations to Lee, Brent and Mitch!"

Mitch Weinberg stated, "I am thankful and honored to continue to contribute to the success of our association and members throughout the world. As we navigate these turbulent skies, together we will persevere." Brent Webb added "It is my honor to continue to serve the membership of the Aviation Suppliers Association and look out for the industry's best interest." Lee Kapel said, "It is an honor to represent the small business interests that support the global Aviation Space and Defense industry and I am humbled that the members have elected me."

## **About the Aviation Suppliers Association**

The Aviation Suppliers Association (ASA), based in Washington, D.C., is a not-for-profit association, representing more than 630 global member companies that are positively shaping the aviation industry. Collectively, they lead critical logistics programs, purchasing efforts, and distribution of aircraft parts worldwide. ASA's Board of Directors and Corporate Officers focus the organization's energies on regulatory and legal matters such as safety, international compliance, business promotion and ethical business practices that impact the aviation parts supply industry. ASA also recognizes outstanding industry leadership and commitment with its annual Edward J. Glueckler Lifetime Achievement award. Member companies include distributors, suppliers, surplus sales organizations, repair stations, manufacturers, airlines, operators, and other companies that provide services to the aviation parts supply industry. ASA is a leader in distributor assessments and is an accreditation organization under FAA AC 00-56. As a result of the Association's accreditation capabilities, over 395 facilities have received global accreditation to ASA-100 since 1996. ASACB (trade name for ASA) is an ISO registrar and is accredited by ANAB to conduct ISO 9000, AS9100, AS9110 and AS9120 assessments.



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# **About Lee Kapel**

Lee Kapel is the President/CEO of TSI Aviation, Inc., a third-party certified Women Minority Owned Small Business specializing in Repair Management, Distribution, Purchase and Exchange of aircraft components, serving government and commercial organizations worldwide. Lee has been working with the company for over 30 years. She started in the Aviation Industry while attending College, in a Data Entry position, then worked on developing and implementing software to manage component repairs, track history, efficiency and reliability. She also oversaw the accounting functions and finally arrived at her passion: Sales and Marketing. Lee earned a BS degree in Computer Science and Accounting from Barry University. Her hard work and commitment to servicing her customers led the company to be recognized as a leader in the Latin America/Caribbean Market.

TSI Aviation has had long-term involvement with the CCMA since the conference initiated over 50 years ago. Lee served as President of CCMA Supplier Committee from 2016-2018 and becomes the acting President again for the 2020-2021 term.

In addition, she has served on the Board of Directors for ASA for the past six years and has assisted with bringing talented and diversified members to the ASA organization as well as high-level guest speakers to the annual conferences. Most recently, she is leading a virtual monthly forum for business owners and executives of ASA member companies (under 50 employees) to have open discussions on sustainment and issues impacting their businesses stemming from the current crisis.

Lee has been newly appointed as a Board Director if the Greater Miami Aviation Association (GMAA) and has been working on the development of WAMI - Women in Aviation Maintenance International to promote aviation maintenance as a career path to young girls worldwide.

Since Lee's acquisition of TSI in 2012, the goal has been to always deliver value to customers through knowledge of product lines, long term established relationship, financial flexibility and excellent customer service. As a result, both vendors and customer's experience increased access to information, feel more confident that their support needs are being met and realize cost savings. Lee continues managing day-to-day operations, remains a team player, highly enthusiastic, energetic, and avid advocate for promoting Woman in Aviation!



#### **About Brent Webb**

Brent Webb is finishing his 16th year as a board member of the Aviation Suppliers Association and a member of the ASA Quality Committee. In these roles Brent has focused on issues that affect the aftermarket distributor supply chain whether it be regulatory constraints that impact the trading of safe parts, the technology that enables the aftermarket to continue to flourish in the marketplace and the promotion of the ASA registrar for ISO and AS Standards.

Brent is also on the AFRA Board of Directors and through this affiliation he can promote a cohesive plan for distributors, asset owners and asset end-of-life disassemblers and recyclers. In his current roles as the President of Aircraft Inventory Management & Services, and the Vice President of Technology and Integration for CAVU Aerospace, as well as the Managing Partner of A.I. Intellectual Property he overseas operations of an aftermarket distributor, an aircraft dismantler and a technology house that has focus on aviation technology enhancements.

### **About Mitch Weinberg**

Mitch has 39 years of international aerospace experience with extensive industry involvement. Mitchell has served over 21 years as an elected Board Member of the Aviation Suppliers Association (ASA), which he cofounded. Mitch is a co-founder and previous Board Member of the South Florida Aviation Maintenance Council.

Mitch has provided key leadership and guidance at IAA for 39 years in working with OEM's, airlines, lessors, maintenance and repair organizations (MRO's) and government agencies. He has participated in industry publication articles and served as a conference speaker and workshop presenter on a variety of topics including the aftermarket, trace and LLP BTB documentation, quality assurance and best business practices.

Mitch participated on the working committee and helped author the FAA Voluntary Industry Distributor Accreditation Program, FAA A.C. 00-56B as well as the committees to amend and harmonize the FAA Authorized Release Certificate, FAA 8130-3, the ATA Part or Material Certification Form ATA Spec 106 and the current IATA and ASA initiative "Guidance Material and Best Practices for Life Limited Parts (LLPs) Traceability".





