

John R. Bell II

Curriculum Vitae



John Bell is the President and founder of JB Aviation, LLC ("JBA") located in Wichita, Kansas. His background includes 34 years of experience in corporate aviation.

JBA is a Cessna Citation Service Provider and Aviation Consultant company that has been supporting their clients in the United States and International since 1998.

JBA offers a broad range of services which include Aviation Department Development, Professional Pilot Services – Domestic and International, Ferry Services, Short-Term Aircraft Management, Aircraft Cost Analysis, Aircraft Evaluations and Deliveries, Aircraft Systems and Crew Training, and SOE/IOE

training requirements.

Mr. Bell's interest in aviation started back in 1972 while attending a Private Pilot Ground School course at Palomar Community College in San Marcos, California. He later received his FAA Private Pilot ASEL license in the summer of 1973. In June of 1973, Mr. Bell enlisted in the United States Air Force as an Avionics Weapon System Specialist on the F4 C/D Phantom II fighter aircraft and served for just over 4 years. While in the Air Force, he obtained his FAA Commercial and Instrument ratings. In February of 1978, Mr. Bell passed his FAA CFI checkride and started instructing Private Pilot Students part-time with a Las Vegas FAA Part 141 Flight School. He later obtained his FAA Multi-Engine Land (AMEL), Single-Engine Sea (ASES), CFI Instrument and Multi-Engine ratings. During the two plus years instructing, he logged more than 2000 flight hours and recommended over 25 applicants for their FAA checkrides. He currently holds a CFI Gold Seal certificate. Courses included Private, Commercial, Instrument, Multiengine, Seaplane, Airline Transport Pilot and CFI (Certified Flight Instructor).

In August 1980, Mr. Bell turned to Business Aviation flying and operated a Piper Seneca II, Cessna 421 and a Turbo-Commander 690B. In July 1983 until December 1983, he served as a Captain on a Piper Chieftain (PA31-350) with an Air Taxi 135 Operator flying Grand Canyon Scenic Routes. Later that year he returned to Business Aviation which brought him to Arkansas.

From January 1983 until August 1985, Mr. Bell served as Chief Pilot on a Piper P Navajo (PA31P) and as an Account Executive which included managing and negotiating contracts with non-profit organizations. The company decided to sell the aircraft as they could not justify the cost.

In September of 1985, Mr. Bell was contacted to recommend an aircraft for a startup LTL trucking company located in Northwest Arkansas. The company purchased a Piper Cheyenne II (PA31T) and he was hired as Chief Pilot and later as Chief Pilot of Corporate Travel and Flight Operations. He was the first pilot employed by the company and was instrumental in developing the flight and travel department. The company later purchased a second Piper Cheyenne II and later increased their staff to nine employees. In August 1994, the company expanded its territory and the decision was made to exchange the Piper Cheyennes for a Cessna Citation II (C550) and a few months later a Citation CJ (C525). Besides flying throughout the forty-eight states the Citations expanded flights that included Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico. In 1997, the company flew over 950 hours, issued under 3,000 airline tickets totaling more than one million dollars, and operated within a department budget just over three million dollars.

From 1987 to 1995 Mr. Bell also conducted a number of Private Pilot Ground School Classes and Flight Training in the region.

Mr. Bell's background experience since 2000 has included a number of international ferry flights with North Atlantic and Pacific crossings. He has supported a number of operators in Indonesia, Malaysia and South Korea. The support he has provided includes qualifying their crewmembers (IOE/SOE) to meet their Air Taxi requirements as per Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) and qualifying their Flight Attendants.

Aircraft Evaluations including Pre and Post Maintenance flights and aircraft consultations have been services Mr. Bell continues to perform.

As a member of NBAA's Cessna 500 Technical Committee, he visits and meets with a number of Citation owner/operators discussing their issues with their aircrafts. The committee also meets with Cessna Aircraft twice a year discussing customer concerns and the concerns of Cessna Aircraft.

Personal Information:

Date of Birth: 1952, Augusta, Maine
Military Service: United States Air Force (Honorable Discharge)
Marital Status: Widow, two children and three grandchildren
Residence: Wichita, Kansas

Career Summary:

January 1998 – Present
President
JB Aviation, LLC,
Cessna Citation Service Provider and Aviation Consultant

February 2005 – February 2006
Cessna Citation VI Line Captain – FAR135 Air Taxi
Lanmar Aviation

September 1985 – September 1998
Chief Pilot
American Freightways, Inc.
Corporate Flight and Travel Operations

December 1983 – September 1985
Chief Pilot and Account Executive
Corporate Flight Operations and Account Executive Telemarketing

July 1983 – December 1983
Line Captain
National Executive Airlines
Air Taxi Operator Grand Canyon Air Tours

July 1980 – May 1983
Chief Pilot
Gulf Pacific, Inc.
Corporate Flight Operations

September 1978 – July 1980

Senior Flight Instructor

Terra Training

Pilot Training Courses, FAA Private Pilot through Airline Transport Rating including Multi-Engine and FAA Certified Flight Instructor (FAA Approved FAR 141)

July 1973 – September 1977

Avionics Technician

USAF

Weapons Control System Specialist

Pilot Qualifications:

Airline Transport Pilot

Airplane Multi-Engine Land

Commercial Pilot

Airplane Single Engine Land

Airplane Single Engine Sea

Flight Instructor (FAA CFI) *GOLD SEAL*

Airplane Single and Multi-Engine

Instrument Airplane

Aircraft Type Ratings

Cessna Citation, C500 Citation I, Citation II, Bravo, S/II, V, Ultra, Encore and Encore+

Cessna Citation, C525(s) CJ, CJ1, CJ1+, M2, CJ2, CJ2+, CJ3, CJ3+ and CJ4

Cessna Citation, C560XL XL, XLS and XLS+

Cessna Citation, C650 III, VI and VII

Cessna Citation, C680 Sovereign, Sovereign+ and Latitude

FAA Pilot Rating Year Obtained

FAA Student Pilot	ASEL	February 13, 1973	
FAA Private Pilot	ASEL	June 19, 1973	FAR Part 141
FAA Commercial (Limited)	ASEL	January 4, 1975	FAR Part 141
FAA Instrument (Airplane)		August 19, 1977	FAR Part 141
FAA CFI- Airplane	ASEL	February 8, 1978	FAR Part 141
FAA Single Engine Sea	ASES	March 9, 1978	FAR Part 141
FAA CFI- Instrument		November 27, 1978	FAR Part 141
FAA Multi Engine land	AMEL	April 13, 1979	FAR Part 141
FAA CFI- ME	AMEL	March 25, 1980	FAR Part 141
FAA ATP	AMEL	July 14, 1983	FAR Part 61

FAA Programs:

FAASTeam Representative (Formerly FAA Accident Prevention Counselor)

Synopsis of Flight Time (Hours):

Total Time:	17,000+
Pilot-in-Command:	16,000+
Multi-Engine:	13,000+
Turbojet:	7,000+
Turboprop:	4,000+

Safety Awards:

Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award (50 years) received August 2025
 NBAA Corporate Business Flying Safety Award JB Aviation, LLC (20 Years)
 NBAA Pilot Safety Award 16,000 Hours
 Commercial Business Flying Safety Award
 Arkansas Aviation Safety Counselor Award
 FAA Aviation Safety Counselor of the Year Award 1997 (Southwest Region)
 FAA Pilot Proficiency Award Program Phase XI

Pilot Flight Training:

October 2024	Citation XLS+ Recurrent – FSI
September 2024	Citation Latitude Recurrent - FSI
January 2024	Citation XLS+ Recurrent – FSI
November 2023	Citation Latitude Recurrent – FSI
December 2022	Citation XL Garmin 5000 Recurrent – FSI
November 2022	Citation Sovereign Recurrent – FSI
July 2022	Citation Encore Recurrent – FSI
August 2021	Citation CJ3 Recurrent – FSI
July 2021	Citation XL Garmin 5000 Recurrent – FSI
July 2021	Citation Sovereign Recurrent – FSI
September 2020	Citation Sovereign Recurrent – FSI
July 2020	Citation XL/XLS Recurrent – FSI
May 27, 2020	Citation CJ3 Recurrent – FSI
August 2019	Citation Sovereign Recurrent – FSI
July 2019	Citation XLS+ Recurrent – FSI
January 2019	Citation Latitude, G5000 Indoctrination
September 2018	Sovereign+ to Citation Latitude Initial Difference – FSI
August 2018	Citation XLS+ Recurrent – FSI
August 2018	Citation Sovereign Recurrent - FSI
February 2017	Citation Encore Recurrent – FSI
February 2016	Citation XL/XLS Recurrent - FSI
September 2015	Sovereign+ to Citation Latitude Initial Difference - FSI
September 2015	M2 Recurrent (C525) Garmin 3000 - FSI
October 2014	Sovereign+ Garmin G5000 Indoctrination – FSI
January 2013	CJ2+ Differences - FSI
January 2013	CJ4 Recurrent - FSI
December 2012	Sovereign Recurrent - FSI
April 2011	Citation Encore+ Recurrent - FSI
April 2011	Citation Ultra- Encore and S/II Differences - FSI
July 2010	CJ4 Indoctrination and Recurrent - FSI
September 2009	Sovereign Recurrent (FAR135) - FSI
December 2007	CJ1+ Recurrent - FSI
June 2007	Citation 680 Sovereign Initial - FSI
March 2007	Citation III and VI Differences - FSI
March 2007	CE650 VII Recurrent - FSI
September 2005	CJ3 Recurrent - FSI
January 2001	CE560XL Transition - FSI
March 1999	CE650 Pilot Initial – SimuFlite / CAE
October 1995	CE525S Transition - FSI
September 1994	Cheyenne Recurrent - FSI
July 1994	CE500 Pilot Initial - FSI
September 1985	Cheyenne Pilot Initial (PA-31T) - FSI
September 1982	Commander 690 Initial (AC-690) - FSI

Pilot Enrichment Training:

April 2024	SEAK How to Be an Effective Expert Witness at Deposition and Trial
April 2024	SEAK 31st Annual National Expert Witness Conference
September 2023	International Procedures Initial – 30 West IP
June 2023	International Procedures Initial Recurrent - 30 West IP
July 2020	NAT/HLA - FSI
July 2020	RVSM – FSI
February 2017	Precision Runway Monitor (PRM) Operations - FSI
February 2017	ICAO Enroute/ Terminal RNAV – FSI
June 2016	Advanced Avionics – Proline 21- FSI
June 2016	MNPS - FSI
June 2016	ICAO Enroute/ Terminal RNAV - FSI
June 2016	ADS- B - FSI
February 2013	International Procedures- Recurrent Air Training International, LTD
January 2013	Precision Runway Monitor (PRM) Operations - FSI
January 2013	Cold Weather Operations - FSI
January 2013	DRVSM Domestic - FSI
April 2011	RVSM European Airspace - FSI
April 2010	Weather Radar - FSI
February 2011	International Procedures - Air Training International, LTD
January 2010	Pilot Monitoring - FSI
January 2010	P-RNAV Precision Area Navigation - FSI

November 2006	International Procedures- Initial - Air Training International, LTD
July 2006	CRM Initial (Cockpit Resource Management) - FSI
October 2005	International Procedures- Recurrent – FSI
October 2004	NBAA Management Fundamentals - NBAA
June 2004	IS-BAO Audit IBAC
December 2003	UNS- 1 Advanced FMS - Universal Avionics
February 2002	Windshear - FSI
February 2002	ILS/PRM Training - FSI
July 2000	International Procedures – SimuFlite / (CAE)
September 1998	Designated Pilot Examiner – Recurrent FAA
March 1998	Leadership Effectiveness Training LET Seminar
January 1998	High Altitude and Jet Transition FlightSafety International
July 1997	GPS Indoctrination Program SimuFlite (CAE)
June 1997	Airborne Weather Radar Seminar AJT
February 1993	Physiological Training USAF
November 1993	Cockpit Resource Management American Airlines
April 1991	Basic Supervision Training KEYE

Professional Affiliations:

National Business Aircraft Association (NBAA)
NBAA Citation 500-600-700 Series Technical Committee
Aircraft Owners and Pilot Association (AOPA)
National Association of Flight Instructors (NAFI)
Wichita Aero Club

Education:

Oceanside High School
Mira Costa Community College
Palomar Community College
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Community College of the Air Force

FAA Medical:

1st Class June 6, 2025

Presentations:

General Aviation FAA Safety Seminars

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