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David Silver is the Vice President for Civil Aviation at the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA). In this role, he uses his expertise in aviation certification, safety, and emerging technologies to collaborate with AIA members and advance public policies and positions beneficial to the entire industry and the United States.

David represents AIA on a number of boards and committees, including the European Union Aviation Safety Agency Stakeholder Advisory Board and the Commercial Aviation Safety Team. He was also nominated by Secretary of Transportation Elaine Chao to serve on the U.S. Drone Advisory committee. Silver joined AIA with over 20 years of experience in aviation, most recently serving as the Director of Engineering & Regulatory Affairs for the Boeing Company in Washington D.C., where he worked extensively with both regulatory and legislative committee leadership. He developed an array of experience in working with a variety of international organizations involved in certification and validation programs.

Silver also served as the 787-8 Deputy Fleet Chief for the introduction of aircraft into commercial operations. Silver worked with airline customers, regulators, and airplane program chief engineers on model-specific technical and safety issues affecting the in-service fleet to increase reliability and ensure smooth operations for the airlines. Silver also has vast experience working Airplane Systems for airplane programs such as the 777 and 767.

Silver served for 22 years in the Army National Guard as an Engineer Officer, with successive leadership roles culminating in Battalion Command and Assistant G3 for Washington State. Silver received the Legion of Merit and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 2014.

Silver holds a B.S. in engineering and a B.A. in political science from Arizona State University and an M.S. in engineering management from Washington State University. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and a Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society.