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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **BRADLEY FENSTER EARNS NAFI MASTER INSTRUCTOR ACCREDITATION**

**KALAMAZOO, MI** — 6/22/2023 The National Association of Flight Instructors is proud to announce that NAFI member Bradley J. Fenster has earned his first NAFI Master Flight Instructor accreditation.

Fenster loves aviation and has a passion for teaching. He is an instructor in both fixed wing and rotorcraft and is also an accomplished seaplane pilot. Fenster is the owner and primary flight instructor for ETL Aviation in Lexington, Kentucky, where he is the chief flight instructor. In addition to instructing, Fenster has authored three books: IFR Study Guide, The Helicopter Study Guide, and Guide to Seaplane Flying.



Prior to learning to fly, Fenster spent several years in the military as a special warfare combat craft crewman in the U.S. Navy and Ranger-qualified infantry officer in the U.S. Army National Guard. Fenster is a father and lives in Kentucky with his wife.

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 thirty 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 www.NAFINet.org.