James F. "Jim" Albaugh
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The Boeing Company

Jim Albaugh is President of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), the world's largest aerospace professional society.

Currently a Senior Advisor to the Blackstone Private Equity Group and the Blackstone Group L.P., Albaugh retired as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Boeing Commercial Airplanes in 2012. Albaugh was named to this position in September 2009. He also served as Vice President of the Boeing Company.

From 2002 to 2009, Albaugh served as President and CEO of Boeing Integrated Defense Systems, now known as Boeing Defense, Space & Security, which provides defense and aerospace products and services for customers around the world. From 1998 to 2002, Albaugh was President and CEO of Boeing Space Communications, which merged with the company's Military Aircraft and Missile Systems unit in July 2002 to create Integrated Defense Systems.

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Albaugh is an elected member of both the National Academy of Engineering and the International Academy of Astronautics. He is an Honorary Fellow of AIAA and an elected Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society.

Albaugh is the current Chairman of the National Aeronautic Association. His other affiliations include the Air Force Association and the American Astronautical Society. He has served on the Aerospace Industry Association's Board of Governors, and in 2011 was Chairman of the Board.

Albaugh has received numerous awards and honors. In January, 2013, he was inducted into the Living Legends of Aviation, which recognizes individuals for their extraordinary accomplishments in aviation. The Southern California Aeronautic Association presented him with the Howard Hughes Memorial Award for extensive contributions to the aerospace industry. He received the Forrestal Award from the National Defense Industrial Association for leadership in preserving a strong U.S. defense industrial base and the Blue Planet Star Medal from the Russian Space Agency for fostering cooperation between the U.S. and Russia in space exploration. Other recognition includes the Semper Fidelis Award, presented by the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation; the Bob Hope Distinguished Citizen Award, presented by the NDIA; and the International von Kármán Wings Award, presented by the Aerospace Historical Society. A Gold-and-Silver-Knight of the National Management Association, Albaugh was that organization's Executive of the Year in 1999.

Albaugh serves on the TRW Automotive Board of Directors, the Board of Trustees of Willamette University, and the Board of Visitors of the Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science at Columbia University. He also is on the Wings Club Board of Governors and the board of the National Competitiveness Center, an independent organization that helps Saudi Arabia compete more effectively in the global economy.

Albaugh holds a bachelor's degree in mathematics and physics from Willamette University and a master's degree in civil engineering from Columbia University.

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