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## **Summit Aviation Welcomes Julian Tonsmeire as VP Aircraft Management and Acquisitions**

**Belgrade, MT**— The Summit Aviation team would like to announce that Julian Tonsmeire joined the Summit team in August of 2022 as VP Aircraft Management and Acquisitions. Tonsmeire fell in love with aviation at an early age and because of that has no shortage of aviation experience, having been in the industry for over two decades. He has had experience in all aspects of the industry including flight operations, aircraft management, safety management systems, maintenance oversight, aircraft scheduling, regulatory compliance, and more. He is also a former professional pilot with pilot-in-command experience in light business jets and regional airline operations.

"At Summit Aviation, one of our top priorities is ensuring our clients have an extraordinary experience regardless of the services they are provided, but when it comes to aircraft management and acquisitions, the fine details are especially important to get right. When I met Julian, I knew that he was a perfect fit. Not only does he have extremely impressive operational experience, but he also has the transactional experience we were looking for from his time with Embraer Executive Jets, and on top of that, he is a type-rated Phenom 300 pilot! These capabilities, along with his positive attitude and alignment with our core values, ensures our customers are in the best hands. We are fortunate and excited to have him on our team." Owner and President, Ben Walton said.

When it comes to aircraft management and acquisitions, Julian knows the business best and will guarantee customer satisfaction through his unmatched customer service and knowledge. Prior to joining Summit Aviation, Julian was Sky Harbour Group's Chief Revenue Officer, the Regional Sales Director in the Rocky Mountain Region for Embraer Executive Jets, as well as the Chief Commercial Officer for Mountain Aviation.

"I'm really grateful to be an aviation sales professional with significant experience in business jet operations," says Tonsmeire. "We work around such incredible machines; I feel so fortunate to still fly them! I understand all aspects of business aviation but focus on seamless transactions. I'm a long-time admirer of Summit Aviation's and so excited to be joining Ben and Team."

Julian lives in Colorado with his family. If you're ever in the area, you would find him skiing, trail running, mountain biking, and rafting, and during his slower-paced times, loving the dad life driving his kid's carpool in all the mountain weather fun that Colorado has to offer.

### **About Summit Aviation**

Summit Aviation, Inc. is a comprehensive aviation center specializing in aircraft sales, charter operations, aircraft management, and pilot training with retention. Two decades after the company's creation, Summit Aviation is proud to boast a fleet of modern flight school aircraft, one of the largest Phenom 300 fleets worldwide as well as a large managed fleet, and a staff of over 100 highly qualified charter and corporate pilots, flight instructors, aircraft sales professionals, and industry specialists. A leader in the aviation safety community, Summit is one of the Northwest's premier charter operators and the official flight training provider for Gallatin College MSU's aviation program. Summit Aviation's

company mission is simple: Deliver an extraordinary aviation experience by providing exceptional service, sharing our passion, and taking an active personal interest in everyone we meet enroute.

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