

SYSTEM SAFETY SOCIETY

CHARTER (Georgia Chapter) of the SYSTEM SAFETY SOCIETY

By the authority conferred upon the duly elected officers of the System Safety Society and with the approval of the Executive Council thereof, there is hereby issued this certificate of Charter to the **Georgia** Chapter of the System Safety Society, hereafter referred to as "**Georgia**".

Georgia Chapter is established pursuant to the Constitution and Bylaws of the System Safety Society, the Statutes of the State of (Chapter's State Name) pertaining to Non-Profit corporations, and the Bylaws of (Chapter Name) Chapter. (Chapter Name) President, elected in accordance with the Chapter Bylaws, shall be a voting member of the Society's Executive Council.

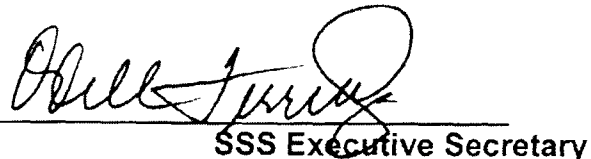
Georgia Chapter shall have as its membership, members in good standing of the System Safety Society who reside in this state and members who reside in adjacent states as may be assigned by the Society's Executive Council.

This Chapter shall strive for the attainment of the objectives of the System Safety Society and shall provide for member needs on the local level.

Joe Reichal
Chapter President


SSS President

Odell Ferrell
Chapter Secretary


SSS Executive Secretary

6/22/03

CHARTER OF THE
GEORGIA CHAPTER
OF THE
System Safety Society

ARTICLE I – Name

Section 1. The name of the Chapter shall be the **Georgia Chapter** (herein referred to as the Chapter) of the System Safety Society (herein referred to as the Society).

ARTICLE II – Jurisdiction

Section 1. The Chapter's boundaries shall incorporate zip codes within in the state of Georgia. The Chapter comprises the entire geographical area boundaries of the state with most members residing within the Atlanta Metro suburbs of Marietta and Peachtree City and a few members in the Macon/Warner Robins areas. Most current members of the system safety society and potential future members reside and work zip codes 30060, 30062, 30064, 30066, 30080, 30082, 30102, 30144, 30152. There is NO overlap with any existing Chapter as no other chapter exists in the state of Georgia.

ARTICLE III – Objectives

Section 1. The objectives of the Chapter are to advance the management and technology of system safety in all areas of human endeavor where a systematic approach and analytical evaluation directed toward hazard control can be applied, to improve the dissemination of information between individuals in this field and related fields, to improve public understanding of the discipline, to promote and improve system safety as a profession, and to promote within the Chapter's jurisdiction the activities and objectives of the System Safety Society.

ARTICLE IV – Chapter-Society Relationship

Section 1. The Chapter shall function under the direction sponsorship of the System Safety Society and shall be governed by the provisions of the Society Constitution and By-Laws and those of the Chapter.

Section 2. The Charter shall be prepared in duplicate form. The original shall be in the custody of the officers of the Chapter; the duplicate copy shall be retained by the executive secretary of the Society. The duly authorized signature of the president of the Society appearing on the Charter obligates the Chapter to the provisions of the Charter.

Section 3. The Chapter shall not use the name of the System Safety Society or obligate in any way the officers or members of the society without first obtaining the approval of the duly authorized representatives of the Society.

Section 4. Any conflict requiring an interpretation of the provisions of the Charter shall be resolved by the Executive Council of the Society.

Section 5. The Chapter president shall submit to the president of the Society an Annual Report concerning the activities of the Chapter. A notice, with the Chapter of the Year criteria and due date of this report will be sent to the Chapter President, by the Director of Membership, in time to present your report for consideration.

Section 6. The Executive Council of the Society may, at its discretion, discontinue the Charter of the Chapter when, in its opinion, the Chapter has ceased to exist or its actions are considered detrimental to the objectives of the Society.

ARTICLE V – Membership

Section 1. Every person who is listed on the official roster of the Society and whose address is located within the geographical jurisdiction of the Chapter shall automatically become a member of the Chapter.

ARTICLE VI – Administration

Section 1. The Executive Committee of the Chapter shall administer the affairs of the Chapter in accordance with its objectives, performing those functions as may be customary with the office and as further defined in the By-Laws of the Chapter.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the elected Chapter officers, the immediate past president, appointed directors and standing committee chairpersons. The officers shall be persons who hold a membership grade in the Society.

Section 3. The officers of the Chapter shall be a president, president elect, secretary and treasurer.

Section 4. The president for the initial Chapter term shall be chosen by the vote of the membership. Thereafter, the president will be selected as stated in Section 5 of this article.

Section 5. The president elect shall be chosen by the vote of the membership for a Chapter term at the conclusion of which his ascension to the office of president for the next Chapter term becomes automatic.

Section 6. The secretary shall be chosen by the vote of the membership for a Chapter term.

Section 7. The treasurer shall be chosen by the vote of the membership for a Chapter term.

Section 8. The initial Chapter term shall not exceed 24 months and will terminate on June 30th following the first full year. Subsequent Chapter terms shall begin on July 1st of each year and end on June 30th of the following year. The actual transfer of administrative responsibilities will occur at the Chapter's annual meeting.

Section 9. The By-Laws of the Chapter shall provide for the election or appointment of persons and committees to assist in the administration of the affairs of the Chapter.

Section 10. An office shall be declared vacant in the event that an officer resigns or ceases to be a member of the System Safety Society. The vacated office may be filled as provided for in the By-Laws of the Chapter.

ARTICLE VII – Election Procedures

Section 1. Nominations for all elective offices shall be made by a Nominating Committee (appointed by the Chapter president) consisting of a chairperson and at least two other members. Committee members shall not be eligible for nomination.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee shall select at least one nominee for each elective office and the Chapter membership given an opportunity to nominate additional members. In no case shall an individual's name be placed in nomination for more than one elective office. No member shall have his name placed in nomination without his consent.

Section 3. The polling of the membership shall be done by means of a letter ballot, with provisions for write-in candidates. Balloting shall be conducted for a period of not less than 30 days following the mailing of the last ballot to the membership. A plurality vote of the membership voting shall constitute election. Ties will be decided by lottery.

ARTICLE VIII – Meetings

Section 1. The Chapter shall hold not less than two meetings each calendar year.

ARTICLE IX – Chapter By-Laws

Section 1. The administration of the activities of the Chapter shall be performed in accordance with the By-Laws established by the Chapter and in accordance with the provisions of the Charter.

Section 2. The By-Laws of the Chapter shall in no way conflict with the provisions of the Constitution and/or the By-Laws of the System Safety Society or the Charter of the Chapter.

ARTICLE X – Amendment to the Charter

Section 1. Amendments may be initiated by a petition of at least 10% of the current Chapter membership or by a majority of the Executive Council. Proposed amendments shall be submitted to the executive secretary of the Society for concurrence with rationale for requested changes.

CHARTER AUTHORIZATION

The **Georgia Chapter of the System Safety Society** is duly authorized by the Executive Council of the System Safety Society to function as a Chapter of the Society in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing this _____ day of _____, _____, as witnessed by the signatures below:

Officers of the Society

President Vice-President
Treasurer Secretary

No vote on the amendment.

June 28, 2002

Director of New Chapter Formation
System Safety Society
P.O. Box 70
Unionville, VA 22567

Dear Benny Smith,
cc: Cathy Carter
Clif Ericson, President

I, Barry Hendrix, hereby submit this application for the re-activation and re-formation of the previous **Georgia Chapter** of the System Safety Society. The Georgia Chapter was very active at one time in the early 1990s and became inactive in the mid 1990s. Patricia Jacobs was the last President, Joe Reichal was the Vice President, and Tony Garanzuay was the Secretary/Treasurer at that time. Terry Gooch was the CSP mentor. During the 19th ISSC I announced our intentions of reactivating the defunct chapter and during the past several months I have communicated with many system safety professionals in Georgia and spearheaded planning meetings. Actions have been worked and meetings have taken place and we held a meeting earlier today and Joe Reichal was nominated as our acting President until chapter formation is approved by the System Safety Society.

We in Georgia collectively feel that reactivation is justified based on the commitments of several long-term system safety society members, including myself, Joe Reichal and Terry Gooch. Furthermore, I have recruited new members James Harris, Hugh Hardy, and Odell Ferrell who also support of this application and are also firmly committed to the success of the chapter. I have polled at least a dozen other system safety practitioners who want to be part of our plans. I feel some will become SSS members after attending our Chapter meetings and see what can be mutually offered. I am enclosing the following information that will prove to the SSS Officers and Directors the viability and perceived long term success of the Georgia chapter to meet System Safety Society goals and objectives:

- a. The following is a list of "current" SSS "paid" members who work and reside in the entire state of Georgia. Their work and residences are concentrated primarily in one zip code and geographical area throughout Cobb County and the City of Marietta in Metro Atlanta zip codes 30060, 30062, 30064, 30066, 30080, 30082, 30102, 30144, 30152. These nine (9) members and 21 non-members who work in core system safety also live within 30 miles of Lockheed Martin within these zip codes. Several others reside in Cherokee County 30101 just north of Cobb County. Two (2) members reside

in the Metro Atlanta suburb of Peachtree City and one (1) resides in Duluth. One (1) member resides at Warner Robins GA and one (1) in Columbus, GA. The precise zip codes of these five (5) individuals should be in the SSS membership directory. They are currently not in the Georgia Chapter database and were only discovered through information provided by Cathy Carter.

SSS Members in Georgia who support reactivation of Chapter

Richard Conway - Duluth, GA
Jack Copeland - Warner Robins AFB, GA
David Cummings – Atlanta, GA
Dan G. Driggs - LM Aero, Marietta, GA
Odell Ferrell - LM Aero, Stone Mountain, GA
Kenneth Elsea – Conger & Elsea, Atlanta, GA
Terry J. Gooch - LM Aero, Woodstock, GA
Hugh H. Hardy, Jr. - LM Aero, Marietta, GA
James W. Harris - LM Aero, Marietta, GA
Barry L. Hendrix - LM Aero, Kennesaw, GA 30152
Russell Marhefka - Marhefka and Associates, Peachtree City, GA
Joe C. Reichal - LM Aero, Marietta, GA
Percy Riveria - Columbus, GA
Lawrence Waltz - College Park, GA
George Uhrin - FAA Southern Region, Peachtree, City, GA

- b. Per the new 2002 strategy for recruiting new members and retaining them, the following list of "known" individuals who currently work full time in Georgia in core system safety activities (primarily MIL-Std 882 and FAA commercial civil aerospace programs) and are potential "new and former" SSS members who will actively support this Chapter by attending Chapter meetings and participating in training and mentoring in system safety and software safety aspects. (Each listed below has been brief on the SSS, provided SSS website address, and membership applications have been distributed and made available to each with Director of Member Services follow-up planned)

Chris Adams – Avionics System Safety Engineer
Dave Alberico - Aerospace System Safety Manager
Jeb Blume - Aerospace System Safety Engineer
Pat Carson - System/Software Safety Engineer
Kevin Cook – Avionics System Safety Engineer
Al DeCastro - Flight & System Safety Manager
Arlene Denny - Hazardous Materials Specialist
Bob Guidice - System Safety Lead
George James - System Safety and Flight Safety Lead
Bill Lamb - System Safety and Product Liability

Bob Lang - Aerospace System Safety Engineer
Thomas Lewis - Aerospace System Safety Engineer
Fred Martinez - Aerospace System Safety Engineer
Don Massett - Aerospace System Safety Lead and Manager
Jim Orlando - Aerospace Safety, Airworthiness and Certification
Coleen Sedeski – System Safety Engineer
Lee Smith - System Safety and Flight Safety Specialist
Michele Youmans – System safety Engineer

Note: All of the above 19 full time system safety practitioners in Georgia are candidates to become SSS members. Stretch goal is 100% Georgia Chapter meeting attendance this year and 100% of non-members becoming SSS member within two year.

- c. The following are system safety practitioners in Georgia who are spearheading reactivation activities and are strong supporters committed to Chapter viability, growth, and future plans to support goals and objectives of SSS and Chapter Charter, and will ensure quality and meaningful Chapter activities (essentially the steering Committee).

Barry Hendrix SSS Members Services Director (Requesting Chapter resurrection and re-formation, spearheading and planning all Chapter activities including contents herein this request) Barry is a long time SSS Senior Member, attended 10th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 18th 19th ISSC. He is a Technical Fellow and lead engineer in Software Safety at LM Aero on all aircraft programs. His background is avionics and software safety. He is also the designated trainer and mentor for system safety at LM Aero

Joe Reichal (elected on 6-28-02 as acting President of planned Georgia Chapter). Joe is a long time SSS member, a CSP, and attended 18th and 19th ISSC. He is a retired USAF Pilot and a System Safety Manager of a large national asset aerospace program (C-5 Galaxy Modernization) at LM Aero.

Terry Gooch (strong advocate of all aspects of system safety). Terry is a CSP, DER (FAA civil aircraft safety authority), a retired AS Army Helicopter Pilot (Green Beret and Ranger in early career) and currently one of two C-130 Hercules system safety managers. Terry teaches a variety of safety related courses at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Atlanta area.

Al Decastro (strong advocate of system safety personnel training, development and mentoring and allocates funding for ISSC attendees). Al, a retired USAF C-130 pilot and is the Flight & System Safety Manager at LM Aero where 30+ system safety engineers are employed under the auspices of his office. Al teaches system safety courses at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Atlanta.

Odell Ferrell (new to SS profession and strongly support Chapter formation). Odell has over 15 years of systems and software experience and joined the software safety engineering staff under Barry Hendrix as mentor in 2001. Odell became a system safety society member in 2002 will attend the 20th ISSC as a reward for excellent performance and growth potential. He is looking forward toward the Georgia Chapter Reactivation/Formation where he will be very active in recruiting others amongst the staff that has not yet joined.

c. A draft of a Charter, Constitution and By-laws are enclosed in a separate file.

Justification and Rationale: We believe that there is a justified reason and strong rationale needs for a Chapter in Georgia to accommodate the approximate 45 system safety professionals in Atlanta suburbs and Macon areas of Georgia. Core system safety has been institutionalized for decades at Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company in Marietta, in Cobb County about 20 miles northwest of Atlanta. Over 30 full time aerospace system safety professionals are employed there on the F-22, C-130J, C-5, C-27, P-3 and S-3 aircraft programs. The FAA Southern Regional Office and Delta Airlines just south of Atlanta have several system safety practitioners, some who are current SSS members. Warner Robins Air Logistics Center near Macon, about 60 miles or south of metro Atlanta employs several Government and consulting system safety personnel. The proposed reactivated Chapter already has eight (14) active members at those locations and can easily develop a minimum active membership close to twenty (20) in the first year.

In conclusion, we the dedicated system safety professionals who reside and work in Georgia have the need, the people, the commitment, and the firmly established goal to become a successful Chapter of the system safety society and respectfully request an expedited approval to reactive the Georgia Chapter of the System Safety Society prior to the commencement of the 20th ISSC. We in Georgia are looking forward to the quick approval so we formally announce this reactivation at the 20th ISSC, at which time I will introduce to all in attendance our new acting President Joe Reichal and Secretary/Treasurer, Odell Ferrell, both of