

MEMBER MONDAY

Phoenix Air Group, Inc.



Highly modified Phoenix Air Gulfstream G-1 carrying two military target drones on its belly during a Navy exercise in the South Pacific.

PHOENIX AIR



OVERVIEW

Phoenix Air Group, Inc. is a U.S. FAA certificated air carrier headquartered in Cartersville, GA (just north of Atlanta) at the Cartersville-Bartow County Airport. The fleet of over 40 aircraft that it owns and operates are primarily made up of Learjets and Gulfstreams.

Phoenix Air provides its wide variety of clients with a range of aviation specialties; from international air ambulance to high priority air cargo to government/military contracting services. Phoenix Air was the only air carrier in the world with aircraft capable of transporting patients with highly infectious diseases when the 2014 Ebola Virus Disease epidemic began to spread through Western Africa, paralyzing countries and airports around the world. Phoenix Air ultimately operated over 40 Ebola-related flights transporting patients, tissue samples, and equipment between Western Africa and the United States and Europe.

Its wide range of capabilities and international reputation have together made Phoenix Air one of the most trusted names in aviation.

Air Ambulance

Phoenix Air has been providing worldwide professional air ambulance patient evacuation and transfer services for over 20 years. Phoenix Air's air ambulance program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Services (CAMTS) and the National Accreditation Alliance Medical Transport Applications (NAAMTA), the two gold standards worldwide for air ambulance operators. Phoenix Air is contracted by the U.S. Department of Defense/Air Mobility Command (AMC) to transport DOD patients and dependents both in the U.S. and worldwide.

Phoenix Air employs over 40 medical doctors, flight nurses, and flight paramedics, and owns/operates a dedicated fleet of specialized air ambulance aircraft which have been highly modified into "Emergency Rooms in the Sky." Each aircraft is dispatched as a Critical Care unit with appropriate medical staff on board to complement the patient's medical condition, all under the careful control of Phoenix Air's two Medical Directors.



Several Phoenix Air Gulfstreams have been retrofitted for a mass casualty event capable of transporting four critical care patients with attending medical crew.

Cargo - Explosives Transport

For over 30-years, Phoenix Air has continuously held a Special Permit issued by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), authorizing Phoenix Air to transport all Division 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, and 1.6 explosives which are forbidden under national and international regulations to be transported by air. A copy of Phoenix Air's DOT Special Permit DOT-SP 8826 for explosives carriage is available online at www.phmsa.dot.gov or by contacting Phoenix Air's Charter Department.

Military Flight Operations

Phoenix Air's military contracting division is a world leader in providing real-time threat training to military fighter aircraft, warships, and air surveillance units. Phoenix Air deploys a wide range of aircraft and state-of-the-art combat training equipment to military organizations for specialized training programs.

Phoenix Air has provided contracted training services to the U.S. Department of Defense, NATO, and other militaries around the world for more than 25 years, providing realistic electronic attack, target towing for live gunnery practice, radar/communications jamming, and range surveillance, among other services. A prime contractor to the U.S. Navy and NATO, Phoenix Air's highly modified special missions aircraft are deployed around the world providing real-time adversarial services and threat training. Phoenix Air also provides range clearance and data acquisition for the U.S. Missile Defense Agency.



A Phoenix Air Learjet towing a simulated anti-aircraft missile used in the development of various anti-missile defenses.



Phoenix Air maintenance specialists installing a radome on the belly of a Gulfstream G-I for use in electronic warfare training services Phoenix Air provides to the military.

U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM)

Phoenix Air was awarded its fourth contract by U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM) in 2016 to provide multiple dedicated Gulfstream executive and special missions aircraft to transport primarily U.S. DOD and U.S. State Department personnel throughout the continent of Africa, the Middle East, and close-by island nations. Company aircraft are based in Stuttgart, Germany. This is the fourth consecutive contract awarded to Phoenix Air by AFRICOM since its inception in 2009.

To date, company aircraft have visited over 120 different airports in Africa and operated in some of the most challenging, dangerous, and complex environments in the world. Some of these missions included Congressional Delegation (CODEL) flights, including numerous flights transporting then-Senator John Kerry into Sudan for negotiations on the creation of South Sudan.

Phoenix Air's success at maintaining a 99.9% mission completion rate under its four AFRICOM contracts is due to the company's international experience and long history of operating into some of the most difficult and challenging airspace and countries in the world.

U.S. Department of State

Phoenix Air held a contract with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) during 2005-2011, which included a requirement to transport employees of Health & Human Services (HHS) and its subsidiary agencies in the event they contracted a contagious disease during the performance of their duties overseas. To support this requirement, Phoenix Air developed and holds the exclusive rights to a system called the Aeromedical Biological Containment System (ABCS), allowing a highly contagious patient to be transported long distances while protecting the flight and medical crewmembers onboard the aircraft.

In the Fall of 2014, Phoenix Air worked with the U.S. Department of State's Directorate of Operational Medicine to conduct two commercial flights utilizing the ABCS to transport Dr. Kent Brantly and medical technician Nancy Writbol from Monrovia, Liberia to Atlanta, GA's Emory University Hospital for life saving treatment. Both had contracted Ebola Virus Disease in Liberia and were close to death.

Immediately following the first-ever successful contagious disease transport flights, the U.S. Department of State awarded Phoenix Air an emergency contract to provide exclusive contagious disease transport capabilities to the U.S. Government. Since then, Phoenix Air has provided the U.S. Department of State and the rest of the U.S. Government, numerous foreign governments, NGOs, and others with an unprecedented level of service and selfless dedication.

In September 2019, Phoenix Air was awarded a \$500,000,000 competitively bid 10-year contract by the U.S. Department of State to provide a wide range of aviation services to the State Department world-wide.



Medical technician Nancy Writebol, near death being off-loaded from a Phoenix Air jet after a flight from Monrovia, Liberia to Dobbins ARB near Atlanta. She was taken to Emory University Hospital where she recovered.



The Phoenix Air designed Aeromedical Biological Containment system and its components ready for installation inside one of Phoenix Air's highly modified Gulfstream G-III jets.

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