

## **Gordon McKinzie**

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I joined United Airlines in 1967 and am presently Manager of New Aircraft Development, a post I have held since 1987. Assignments at United have included Manager of Operational Engineering, Factory Representative at Douglas (our first DC-10 deliveries), Manager of Fuel and Performance Control, Manager of Flight Standards and Training, and Manager of New Technology Engineering. I was named 777 Program Manager in 1990 and led United's "Working Together" team with Boeing through the design, build, and certification of that airplane over a six-year period. I have been involved in numerous new airplane acquisition studies for United, including Concorde, B-2707, DC-10, B-767, B-757, 7J7, B-747-400, B-777, A320, A330, A340, A380, and Sonic Cruiser.

Prior to United Airlines, I was a Flight Test Engineer at Edwards AFB on F-5, T-38, and experimental V/STOL programs, including VJ-101, P-1127, DO-31, and XV-5. I was also a project aerodynamicist at Ling-Temco-Vought on XC-142 tilt-wing transport derivatives, and at Northrop on T-38 and N-156 strike fighter programs.

I have degrees in engineering from Claremont-McKenna College and Stanford University. I was named a Distinguished Lecturer of the Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics in 1995, and elected a Fellow of the Institute in 1998.