
PRESS RELEASE

GIL SPEED TEAMS UP WITH JANES CAPITAL PARTNERS

Irvine, CA - May 4, 2009: Janes Capital Partners, Inc., a national Aerospace & Defense investment banking boutique providing merger, acquisition, divestiture and corporate finance services to the middle-market, is pleased to announce that Gil Speed is teaming up with its firm as a key member of its Advisory Board.

"Gil Speed is a seasoned leader and highly respected figure throughout the aerospace & defense industry. We anticipate that his years of experience and the depth of his knowledge within the A&D industry will prove to be indispensable in strengthening our understanding and responsiveness to the issues aerospace companies face as they develop and expand. Likewise, Gil's character and reputation are a welcome addition as we seek to further establish our firm as one which embodies the highest ideals in both our business practices and conduct," said David A. Janes, CEO of Janes Capital Partners.

Mr. Speed has spent more than 50 years in the aviation industry, beginning his career in 1952 as a student apprentice at The Bristol Aeroplane Company, now a part of BAE Systems. He is the founder and former CEO of SpeedNews, now a Penton Media company, providing up-to-date information on the aerospace & defense industry and is a leading organizer of aerospace & defense focused conferences worldwide.

In 1957 Mr. Speed moved to the United States as a Development Engineer on new aircraft for Eastern Airlines in New York, working on the DC-8 and the Lockheed Electra. In 1959, he joined Pan Am as a Structures Engineer, and later as an Aeronautical Engineer, where he worked on the specifications for the 727, 707 Freighter, Concorde, and Dassault Fanjet Falcon. In 1965, Mr. Speed became VP Marketing for Tridair Industries in California, and three years later founded Transequip, now part of Telair International, which manufactured composite panels, cargo and baggage containers and cargo systems, selling his interests in 1978.

In 1979, he founded SpeedNews, and in 1991, launched SpeedNews Defense BiWeekly, an industry news source which has expanded into four distinct newsletters which are distributed in more than 160 countries. In 1987, he started the first SpeedNews Aviation Industry Suppliers Conference, which has also since expanded into 4 specialty conferences annually for aerospace industry suppliers and customers. SpeedNews was purchased by Prism Business Media in September 2006, which also acquired Penton in February 2007. Prism Business Media is now known as Penton Media.

Mr. Speed is currently the CEO of Gil Speed & Associates, a leading aviation consulting firm, and serves on the Board of Directors of KAPCO, LeFiell Manufacturing and M.C. Gill Corporation. He is also the Chairman of the Membership Committee of the Southern California Aeronautic Association.

About Janes Capital Partners, Inc.

Janes Capital Partners is an investment banking mergers & acquisitions advisory firm focused on Aerospace & Defense companies with enterprise values ranging from \$25 million to \$500 million. The firm is headquartered in Irvine, CA and provides services to private business owners, large corporations and private equity groups seeking to acquire, divest or recapitalize companies or business units serving the aerospace, defense and government services markets. Janes Capital Partners' senior bankers are experienced operating and financial executives with a combined track record of more than \$3 Billion in closed transaction value. Securities transactions are conducted through JCP Securities, Inc.; a registered Broker/Dealer, a registered Investment Advisor and member FINRA/SIPC.

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