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Greg Alston is currently the Safety Sigma Program Manager for CSSI, Inc. He came to CSSI from the aerospace and defense industry, where he was the Corporate VP for Mission Assurance for Raytheon. In that role, he led the Raytheon corporate enterprise mission assurance program, and was responsible for corporate quality and Six Sigma (R6 σ). Before going to industry, he was a member of the Government Senior Executive Service as Director of the Air Force Safety Center and Deputy Chief of Safety for the Air Force. As such, he led all facets of the Air Force Safety Center to include strategic planning, day-to-day operations, publishing all Air Force safety policies, and managing mishap investigations. He also oversaw analysis for safety data in Aviation, Ground and Industrial, Explosives, Space Operations, and Directed Energy. Prior to his SES service, Greg served as an officer in the Air force and a fighter pilot for 28 years. His last duty assignment was as Deputy Chief of Safety in the Pentagon, where his role was safety advisor and action officer to the Secretary of the Air Force (SECAF) and the Air Force Chief of Staff. He interacted with both on safety matters, and helped prepare them to testify on Capitol Hill. He routinely briefed the SECAF, Chief of Staff, members of the Air Staff, and top Government officials on important safety issues. Prior to going to the Pentagon, he was responsible to the Commander of the Air Combat Command (ACC) for all aspects of safety for 170,000 personnel and 1700 combat aircraft. In numerous other Air Force assignments, Greg served in other safety roles, was a squadron commander, and flew the T-37, T-38, AT-38, F-4C/D, F-16A/C/CJ, and the F-117A (where he was Top Gun). Greg also was a part time Assistant Adjunct Professor for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University where he taught many safety and business courses. Greg was a member of the Commercial Aviation Safety Team (CAST), Global Aviation Information Network (GAIN), and is currently a voting member on CASE (Center for Aerospace Safety and Security Education). He is a published author, and wrote, *How Safe Is Safe Enough? Leadership, Safety, and Risk Management*. In 2005, Greg was honored to win an Honorary Life Member Award from the SAFE Association. He is currently a doctoral candidate in business administration and holds a Master's Degree in Aerospace Science.