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Richard is happily married to his wife of 26 years and is the proud father of two adult children. Born in New Zealand, his parents moved to Melbourne, Australia when he was 3 where he grew up until he moved to the USA by himself at age 18. After converting his pilot certificates to US equivalents, he flew in corporate, regional airlines and fractional operations and holds type ratings in the BA-3100, CE-500, DA-2000, HS-125, and GV aircraft.

Richard joined FlightSafety International in March 2020 after 25 years at NetJets Aviation, including 16 years directing the safety program as V.P. Safety. In the same period, he and the safety team achieved Active Conformance status in the FAA Safety Management System (SMS) program for the air carrier and repair station; established multiple FAA approved Aviation Safety Action Programs (ASAP); managed the Aviation Emergency Response Plan; and implemented a Fatigue Risk Management Program.

Since joining FlightSafety, he has established a safety department with a primary focus on delivering safety focused training which meets the regulatory requirements rather than the traditional approach of viewing training as a regulatory event with some safety elements included. The partnership with GE Digital established in October 2021 will allow the use of C-FOQA data as the basis for safety centric training scenario development.

Richard holds a Master of Science degree with a minor in safety program management from Embry Riddle University