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Albuquerque Business Leader Wins 2016 Distinguished Alumni Award

CSI Aviation President and COO Honored for his Military, Commercial Aviation Experience

(Albuquerque, NM) William "Rock" Collins, President and COO of CSI Aviation, has been awarded the 2016 Distinguished Alumni Award from his alma mater, St. Olaf College.

Currently a Major General in the Marine Corps Reserve, Collins graduated from the Northfield, Minnesota-based college in 1984 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology and Religion. Collins went on to pursue a successful career in military and commercial aviation, having retired from United Airlines as a pilot and Captain in 2013.

He is also a highly decorated combat veteran, having served in the Persian Gulf War and in campaigns in Iraq and Afghanistan.

In addition to his duties at CSI Aviation, Collins serves as the Assistant to the Commander of the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) in Colorado Springs. In the event of an attack on North America, he would advise the Commander or Secretary of Defense or even the President.

"I'm honored to receive the Distinguished Alumni Award from St. Olaf College. The college was instrumental in preparing me for military service and a career in aviation and I couldn't be more pleased," said Collins.

To view the video of the award, visit https://www.stolaf.edu/multimedia/play/?p=382.

About CSI Aviation
Established in 1979, CSI Aviation, Inc. (CSI) has grown into a global aviation company providing diverse and complex solutions to commercial, group and private individuals, and government customers. CSI fills a unique niche in the aviation industry – solving complex aviation requirements for air charter services, aviation logistics, and program management. CSI Aviation also holds FAR Part 135 Air Carrier operating authority and provides air charter, aircraft purchase, leasing and maintenance support. For more information go to www.csiaviation.com.

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