

From: [L. Peter Oja](#)
To: [Thomas Payne](#) ; [Terry Fisk](#)
Sent: Wednesday, February 24, 2010 7:12 AM
Subject: Regional Director

Thomas Payne
South Western Regional Director,

Re: Regional Training Director.

Dear Thom,

As per your request I am submitting my interest to help fill the position as Regional Training Director. I firmly believe that members need to step up and participate in the process developing our region to a leader within USCA. I believe that we are an organization of people handling dogs, and our members are crucial to our organizations survival, you can always replace a dog but you can never replace a member. Education of new members and guide them through the process of becoming excellent handlers will light their passion for this sport as it has done for us. There will always be politics and personal grudges that we have to learn to put aside on the field, people will always disagree but we need to do so in a cordial way and follow the directions of the majority.

I am the President of Aviation Contract Services, LLC and aviation consulting company serving the global airline industry. Currently we have on-going operations in Russia, South America, Europe and India. At the end of this year (2010) we will have close to 70 employees worldwide. We manage airline operations, airplane acquisitions, crew, maintenance support and crew training. We also operate a flight simulator training center in Minneapolis training pilots from the Russia.

As for my dog back ground I was the first President and founder of the Scottsdale Schutzhund Club now Arizona Working Dog Club, where I continue to serve as the Club Training Director. I am originally from Sweden; I moved to the United States in 1989 and currently reside in Cave Creek, Arizona. My interest in dogs began at the age of 15 when he was a volunteer with the local Police Department in their K-9 division in the capacity of decoy. During his internship with the department, my interest in working dogs continued to develop and he subsequently attained a Level 3 Certification as a dog instructor through the Swedish Air Force. Over the past 30 years, I have has built a distinguish record by training dogs and by successfully titling numerous dogs in both Europe and the United States. During his career, I have trained dogs for use in the military, law enforcement and search and rescue, I am also an AKC Canine Good Citizen Judge (AKC CGC).

Regards,

Peter Oja

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