



Dear fellow IAM US Airways Mechanic,

Doug and I are writing this letter to let you know about our experience with the IAM.

In January of 2010, Doug and I did a job and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) pulled the job card and didn't like something they saw. After our shift we were drilled by the FAA, answering question after question. We felt completely blind-sided and worried, but we kept our heads, had great union representation and answered every question truthfully.

Three weeks later, the FAA claimed we didn't do the job according to the paperwork and charged us with falsification of documentation. Our licenses were revoked, we were terminated from US Airways and faced possible criminal charges.

We didn't do anything wrong and accomplished the job properly. Nonetheless, we were very worried. Every time the phone rang we expected the worst. We couldn't sleep and on occasion we were so worried we were reduced to tears. Neither of us are young men and our profession is everything to us and our family. Being somewhat close to retirement, we thought we'd lose everything.

About a week and a half later we were back to work and our IAM attorneys fought the FAA and were ultimately successful in getting our licenses reinstated. The IAM attorneys were hard-nosed and were extremely well versed regarding our jobs and knew exactly how to defend us. Their knowledge and expertise really inspired a lot of confidence.

When we returned to work all of our fellow mechanics in Pittsburgh congratulated us. They were worried about us because they are our friends and understand that this kind of problem can happen to any mechanic.

The IAM doesn't often pat itself on the back publicly but we felt you should know the IAM really stepped-up and saved our jobs and careers. We know we wouldn't have received this type of representation in any other union. The IAM spent over \$300,000 on our case and never blinked an eye.

What really meant a lot to us was when International President Tom Buffenbarger called us and told us not to worry because the IAM would "take care of this." We are very grateful for the IAM's support during our ordeal and we think you should know how our union—the IAM—stood by us when it mattered most.

Please take the time to vote for the IAM.

Fraternally,

Mark White

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Robert "Doug" Tinlin

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