

SPC Update of 2/11/08

To all:

Let me begin with a public service announcement of sorts that may be fruitful to some. I received an e-mail this week from Evergreen International Aviation with a request to forward. Evergreen is interested in pilots seeking 747-400 opportunities. I have no more information than that, but if you are interested in inquiring please contact:

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As to the events unfolding in Washington regarding our proposed legal action and our assertion of unlawful provisions in HR-4343 a great deal has come to light. The package that was distributed to all Congressional offices with the statements from Professor Turley has provided a great deal of legal insight into the Constitutional problems associated with this law, and they are many. The result is that many in the Congress are in agreement with our position. That reaction is bipartisan and liberal to conservative. While not at liberty to discuss the particulars at this point, I can tell you that this law is clearly recognized as a problem for the tax payers, the airline industry, and the pilots who were singled out for discrimination under these provisions. HR-4343 presents significant problems to defend in a court. It is far better and wiser to resolve the conflicts to a mutual satisfaction outside of the courtroom when possible. Your interests are being represented in what is a fluid and serious dialogue that will hopefully produce a mutual agreement. It has been nearly eight weeks since HR-4343 became Public Law 110-135. While the law provides that our original suit would be subject to a dismissal action, I think it is noteworthy that the DOJ has made no attempt to do so. It would be easy to speculate as to why, but for now it's just another piece of the puzzle.

Lew Tetlow
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