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### **SkyWest, Inc. Names Justin Esplin Vice President of Information Technology**

Jim Jensen to Retire after more than 33 Years with the Company

**ST. GEORGE, UTAH**, Oct. 2, 2018 – SkyWest, Inc. (NASDAQ: SKYW) announced today the promotion of Justin Esplin as SkyWest’s Vice President of Information Technology (IT), effective immediately. Justin succeeds Jim Jensen, who will retire at year-end after 33 years of dedicated SkyWest service.

“Justin’s innovative, collaborative and proficient approach to our technology platforms make him an excellent fit for this role,” said Wade Steel, SkyWest Chief Commercial Officer. “His commitment to quality and to delivering an exceptional product for our mainline partners will help ensure SkyWest remains at the forefront of the industry.”

In his role as VP, Justin will oversee all of SkyWest’s IT operations for operating subsidiaries SkyWest Airlines and ExpressJet Airlines, including hardware, software, application development and Internet security. This includes oversight of the more than 100 SkyWest IT professionals who support more than 2,500 daily departures across the entity. He will report to Chief Commercial Officer Wade Steel.

Esplin brings more than 17 years’ SkyWest IT experience to his role, and has helped lead and implement SkyWest’s application development, business automation, software integration and database systems. He joined SkyWest in 2001 and was named Director of Application Development in 2008. Prior to his time at SkyWest, Esplin was a division software manager. He holds a computer engineering degree from Brigham Young University. He lives in St. George, Utah with his wife and four children.

Esplin succeeds Jim Jensen, who retires after more than 33 years of service with SkyWest.

“Jim has been a significant part of SkyWest’s growth and our ability to continually deliver an exceptional product,” continued Steel. “All of us at SkyWest thank Jim for the exceptional IT program he has helped build, and wish him well in his retirement.”

#### **About SkyWest**

Based in St. George, Utah, SkyWest, Inc. is the holding company for two scheduled passenger airline operations and an aircraft leasing company with nearly 17,000 employees. SkyWest’s airline companies provide commercial air service in cities throughout North America with more

than 2,500 daily flights carrying nearly 50 million passengers annually. SkyWest Airlines operates through partnerships with United Airlines (“United”), Delta Air Lines (“Delta”), American Airlines (“American”) and Alaska Airlines. ExpressJet Airlines operates through partnerships with United, Delta and American. This press release and additional information regarding SkyWest can be accessed at [inc.skywest.com](http://inc.skywest.com).

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