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Daniel R. Morris, J.D. L.L.M. is an attorney and entrepreneur who is currently acting as Executive Director at the National Institute of Aerospace's REaKTOR Business Technology Innovation Center – a technology-centric business incubator and accelerator focused on high-tech, high potential growth businesses in the unmanned systems (UMS) field.

Mr. Morris serves as Chapter President for the Hampton Roads Chapter of AUVSI, and is NASA Langley Research Center's named point of contact for "all things unmanned" in southeastern Virginia. He is leading the Jacob's Technology Days Unmanned Systems Opportunity Exchange scheduled for April 20 and 21, 2017 in Hampton Virginia. Morris is founder and co-chair of the Hampton Roads Unmanned Systems Alliance (HRUSA), a newly formed organization comprised of members from the UMS business community, legislators, regulators, and regional economic leaders. The purpose of HRUSA is to align and coordinate the region's unmanned systems industry efforts with the Commonwealth of Virginia's UMS Center of Excellence and with recommendations from Governor Terry McAuliffe's Virginia Unmanned Systems Commission Report.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Morris founded reQUIRE, LLC, a unique, technology-based service to track the release of real estate mortgage liens. The service is still utilized nationwide in the residential real estate transaction market. As CEO, he managed all aspects of the company with direct responsibility for long-range strategic planning, product innovation, technology implementation, legal and regulatory navigation, and overall profitability. After selling reQUIRE in February 2013, Morris began pursuing opportunities in the unmanned systems industry. He is an investor in several UMS businesses and serves as an advisor on their boards. Prior to his appointment as Director of PTI, Mr. Morris established Innovation, Technology and Business Solutions, LLC, a consulting and business development company stimulating innovation and business opportunities in the commercialization of UMS, including unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs).

Morris graduated from Norfolk Academy in 1982. He studied International Marketing and Economics at Universität Freiburg, Freiburg, Germany, and obtained a B.A. in Economics and a B.A. in Modern Foreign Language, German, from the University of Richmond in 1986. Mr. Morris obtained his J.D. in 1992, and completed his LL.M studies in international taxation at Regent University School of Law in 1995.

Mr. Morris is also managing partner at The Morris Group, Attorneys and Counselors at Law, P.C. His practice focuses on advising start-up companies, international corporate transactions, and secured transactions. Daniel Morris is licensed to practice Law in Virginia and holds a US Customs Brokerage license.