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Inderjit Chopra is a Professor and Acting Chairman of Aerospace Engineering at the University of Maryland. He received a B.Sc. in Engineering from Punjab Engineering College, Chandigarh, India, in 1965; an M.E. from Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India, in 1968; and a Sc.D. from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1977. He worked at the National Aeronautical Laboratory in Bangalore from 1966 to 1974. His research there included aeroelastic wind tunnel testing of scaled models of airplanes and launch vehicles. At MIT, he worked on aeroelastic analysis of wind turbine rotors for his doctoral dissertation. In 1977, he joined NASA Ames/Stanford University Joint Institute of Aeronautics and Acoustics, where he researched aeroelastic analysis of advanced rotor systems and dynamic testing of full-scale helicopters in the NASA Ames 40 × 80 ft wind tunnel. In 1981, he joined the University of Maryland. He is a major participant of the Army's Center of Rotorcraft Education and Research at Maryland. An author of over 60 articles and papers, Dr. Chopra is also an associate editor of the Journal of the American Helicopter Society and a member of the editorial advisory board of Vertica, The International Journal of Rotorcraft and Powered Lift Aircraft. He is an Associate Fellow of AIAA.

Robert E. Duffy

Robert E. Duffy is a faculty member in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering and Mechanics at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Dr. Duffy received his degrees from Rensselaer. In addition to having worked as an aeronautical engineer at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and as a research engineer at the Grumman Aerospace Corporation, he has served as a consultant to numerous corporations and governmental agencies. He was, for a num-

ber of years, technical director of Panaflight Corporation and a past owner of the Burden Lake Country Club. His professional society affiliations include membership in AIAA, in which he is an Associate Fellow, the American Helicopter Society, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. The author of over 60 articles and papers, Professor Duffy is currently investigating nonsteady flow effects on the aerodynamic characteristics of both fixed and rotary wing aircraft. He is also experimentally investigating the heat transfer to highly swept wings in the high enthalpy, high Mach number (10–25) range.

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Franklin E. Eastep is a Professor and Director of Aerospace Engineering at the University of Dayton. He received a B.S. from Ohio State University in 1958, an M.S. from the Air Force Institute of Technology in 1963, and a Ph.D. from Stanford University in 1968. Dr. Eastep has been teaching and conducting research within the technical areas of structural dynamics, aeroelasticity, and unsteady aerodynamics since 1968. During this period, he has been the principal thesis advisor for 5 doctoral students and over 25 masters students. He served on active duty with the U.S. Air Force for 20 years, retiring in 1978. Dr. Eastep is a member of the American Academy of Mechanics, an Associate Fellow of AIAA, and a member of the AIAA Structural Dynamics Technical Committee.

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Harry H. Heyson earned his B.Ae.E., cum laude, at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn in 1949. He received his M.S. in Aeronautical Engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1958. He joined the staff of NACA's Langley Laboratory in 1949. His research at NACA and NASA has resulted in 75 papers on the theoretical and experimental aspects of helicopter and V/STOL induced flowfields, ground effects, and wind tunnel wall effects, as well as on innovative new aircraft concepts. He is a frequent lecturer in university short courses and helicopter safety seminars.

After a brief period as an Associate at the Hampton Division of Eagle Engineering, Mr Heyson has established his own consulting practice specializing in helicopter and V/STOL aerodynamics and wind-tunnel wall effects.

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Kenneth J. Holt is Manager of Customer Relations, Southwest U.S. for McDonnell Aircraft Company. He received his B.Sc. from Hampton University in Virginia and his M.B.A. from the University of Missouri, St. Louis. He served 20 years in the U.S. Air Force and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel and a Command Pilot. His background is in fighters, having flown the F-86, F-100, F-4, F-15, F-18 and also tours in the Air Training Command and Strategic Air Command. He joined McDonnell in 1973. There he flew production test flights and was the company's interface with the military and Federal Aviation Administration for test flights. He developed much of the flight test operating procedures for the F-18 and AV8B, and was the McDonnell flight operations consultant to the Government Aircraft Factory F-18 facility at Avalon, Australia. He retired from active flying in 1984. Mr. Holt is a Member of AIAA and serves on the Aircraft Operations Technical Committee.

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Dr. Nagabhushan is interested in all types of aircraft systems and associated flight mechanics and control technologies. He has authored over 40 technical papers and articles in archival journals. He has received many Engineering Awards for Technical Achievement at Goodyear and holds several patents in the U.S. and Europe. He is an Associate Fellow of AIAA and a member of the American Helicopter Society.

Thomas M. Weeks

Thomas M. Weeks completed his degree work at Syracuse University, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering in 1965. He entered active commissioned service that year, assigned to the Air Force Flight Dynamics Lab at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. His initial work was in the area of electrogasdynamics at the nearly completed 50 MW facility. In 1968, he separated from the Air Force but remained at the same location working as a civilian.

He was assigned in 1972 to the Analysis Group attached to the Aeromechanics Staff working on transonic wind tunnel wall interference. In 1976, he became Technical Manager of the External Aerodynamics Group of the Aerodynamics and Airframe Branch. He then served as deputy and acting manager of the X-29 Advanced Technology Development. He is currently Chief of the Experimental Engineering Branch in the Flight Dynamics Laboratory of Air Force Wright Aeronautical Laboratories. Dr. Weeks is an Associate Fellow of the AIAA