

Thomas Chance

ASV Global, LLC

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Education and Training

MSIA Purdue University, MS Industrial Administration, 1989

MSE Purdue University, MS Engineering (Geodetic Surveying), 1984

BSE Louisiana State University, Electrical Engineering, 1983

Certifications or Professional Registrations

DOD Secret Clearance

Select Professional Experience

2010-present

CEO, Founder, and Co-owner, Autonomous Surface Vehicles Global, LLC (ASV Global). Founded in 2010, ASV Global is a world leader in unmanned surface vessel technology. The company has built more than 75 ASVs and 30 different payloads for defense and commercial applications. The ASVs are from 4' to 40' long and have endurance of up to 60 days. Products include ASV design, construction, vessel and payload control, payload integration, launch & retrieval systems, and field support. Clients can lease or purchase ASVs or convert manned vessels to optionally manned. Today the company has 70 employees with offices in the US and UK. Eighty-eight percent of the company's equity is US owned. Mr. Chance's role is product strategy and development.

1992-2015

CEO, Founder, and Co-owner, C & C Technologies, Inc. (C & C). Founded in 1992, C & C continues to be a world leader in the Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV) services industry. C & C was the first company in the world to offer AUV survey services to the offshore oil industry. Since 2000, C & C amassed almost a half-million line kilometers of active AUV data. Other work included the development of two unmanned surface vessels for the US Naval Research Laboratory (NRL), and numerous shallow water hydrographic projects for the US Army Corps of Engineers. Under Mr. Chance's leadership, C & C's services encompassed marine data acquisition, processing, analysis, and reporting of data from various sensors including multibeam sonars, sidescan sonars, subbottom profilers, magnetometers, gradiometers, underwater camera systems, and other sensors deployed on AUVs and manned ships. With 550 employees and 10 offices worldwide, Mr. Chance sold C & C Technologies to Oceaneering International in early 2015. His time and resources are now dedicated to the development of ASV Global.

1989-1992

Vice President of Business and Systems Development, Fugro Chance, Inc., formerly John E. Chance & Associates. Thomas Chance led a technical staff of 12 people generating technology based products and services for the offshore surveying and mapping industry.

1984-1989

Electrical Engineer, John E. Chance & Associates, Inc. Thomas Chance supported offshore surveying and mapping operations as a field engineer.

Synergistic Activities and Recognition

- Member of the Committee on National Needs for Coastal Mapping and Charting, Mapping Science Committee, National Research Council. Dozens of conference presentations on marine mapping. Chairman of the National Ocean Industries Association Technology Policy Committee.
- Awards including: BP Upstream Innovation Award, the Marine Technology Corporate Excellence Award, Innov8 Acadiana Award, 1996 Entrepreneur of the Year for the Gulf Coast Region, 2006 LCG International Achievement Award, 2008 Marine Technology Reporter Seamaster of the Year Award, and the 2015 Junior Achievement Business Person of the Year Award.