

For over 43 years, the FAA has used subterfuge to maintain a rule restricting the careers of airline pilots. FAR 121.383(c) forces pilots to retire before their 60th birthday. Chicanery is the underlying method of keeping this spurious rule in effect. Our organization, the Professional Pilots Federation, has filed (June 13, 2003) a petition for exemption with the FAA on behalf of ten of our members. We fully expect, as has happened thousands of times before, to have our petition rejected. (unanswered as of 5/2003)

Our petition, viewable on www.ppf.org, or www.age60rule.com explains in detail how the FAA has manipulated studies, misled congress and the public, misquoted and used out of context quotes to enhance their dishonest position. Without the fraudulent methods used, the FAA would never have been able to sustain a discriminatory age limit affecting so many pilots for so long.

It is time for exposure of the facts.