

### **Company History**

Kennon Products was founded in 1984 by Paul Kennon Chaney and Ron Kensey. The company began in a small rented garage in Temple City, California producing the Kennon Sun Shield. After Mr. Chaney left the company to focus on his construction business, the Kenseys moved to Sheridan, Wyoming in 1989. Kennon began working with the United States Department of Defense in 1991 after Operation Desert Storm. Kennon's sun shields were called upon to prevent avionics damage that was caused by the intense heat generated by the desert sun. Kennon would go on to develop numerous product lines that protect the vast majority of aircraft types used by the DoD. A dedicated Research and Development department began in 2006 with the hiring of Kennon's first engineer - coinciding with Kennon's first SBIR Phase I award. Since then, the company has completed numerous Phase I, II, and III projects for the DoD and military prime contractors.



# **Vision Statement**

Kennon is inspired by and committed to the protection of high-value assets, from aircraft and other essential equipment, to the most important asset: LIFE.

### **Corporate Core Values**

- BE REAL shared authority to do the right thing
- CARE co-workers, customers, community, country
- COMMUNICATE open, honest, thoughtful
- DARE do what hasn't been done before
- DELIVER QUALITY exceed expectations
- FUN at work and away
- INTEGRITY don't cut corners
- **SAFETY** always, everywhere
- TALENT attract, develop, retain exceptional people
- **URGENCY** ship it now

## **Core Competencies**

- Manufacturing At its core, Kennon is a company dedicated to manufacturing products that protect high-value assets. We are experts at working with high-performance textiles and composites, and have the personnel, equipment, and facilities to successfully commercialize these products.
- Research and Development Kennon's R&D office is a growing group of engineers, material scientists, and technicians that are bringing innovations to market. Current R&D projects include lightweight ballistic protection for aircraft, lightweight and compact emergency inflatable systems (life preservers and rafts), and thermo-nuclear radiation shielding for aircraft crews.



Blast testing was performed by Kennon to measure the performance of IED armor developed for ONR (STTR project).



Kennon is currently under contract to develop radiation shields for the Air Force's new KC-46 Pegasus tanker.



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Kennon's R&D group is developing next-generation lightweight armor systems for the V-22 Osprey (SBIR project).



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Vastly improved inflatable LPUs and life rafts are being developed by Kennon for NAVAIR (SBIR project).





High-strength, lightweight composite utility clamps were developed and produced by Kennon for NAVAIR (SBIR project).

An executive-level VIP cabin liner kit was developed and produced by Kennon for the HMX-1 fleet of V-22 support aircraft (SBIR project)

#### Kennon is advancing the field of protective cover manufacturing

### Markets/Customers

Since 1984, Kennon has provided products that protect high value assets in the aviation, military, and defense industries. Our customers include each branch of the DoD, NASA, and prime contractors such as Boeing, Lockheed-Martin, Northrop-Grumman, and Airbus. Kennon also serves numerous customers in the commercial and private aviation markets.

### **Contract Vehicles**

Kennon is a GSA contract holder, has a DCAA approved accounting system, and is ISO 9001:2015 certified.

### **Advantage**

Kennon possesses a unique balance of research and development resources and manufacturing expertise. Nearly a quarter of our employee-owned company consists of degree-holding engineers/scientists the majority of which hold advanced degrees and/or professional licensure. We have close working relationships with a number of universities, academic consultants, and laboratory facilities. Kennon is large enough to reliably serve our customers, but small enough to remain agile and innovative.

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