Malcolm Hawkins, Co-founder and President Joel Purdom, Co-founder and CEO

Malcolm Hawkins and Joel Purdom founded Colt International in 1999. Under their direction, the company has grown from one employee to more than 150 and generates \$500 million in annual sales.

In their joint management roles at Colt, they provide the overall business and resource allocation strategy for the company. Over the last 14 years, Colt has become a global leader in international trip support and contract fuel services. It has expanded from its headquarters in Webster, Texas to include satellite offices in Canada, Europe and South America to service its worldwide customer base.

They invest in their employees and have instilled in them a commitment to personalized service. As a result, Colt won the title of Best International Trip Planning in the 2012 *Pro Pilot* PRASE Survey and was the overall top international trip planner and fuel card provider in the magazine's 2013 survey.

Prior to become entrepreneurs, Malcolm and Joel each earned their Master of Business Administration. While working together at a commercial fueler, they decided to strike out on their own in order to better serve the business aviation industry.