



Who We Are

Castelion is restoring America's defense production advantage by manufacturing advanced, long-range hypersonic weapons at the speed and scale necessary for modern deterrence.

Founded on the premise that national defense requires manufacturing solutions as well as technological ones, Castelion has been vertically integrated from day one. We apply private-sector capital, vertically integrated design, and modern manufacturing to compress development cycles and drastically reduce unit cost.

Every Castelion system is designed and tested through rapid development processes to yield high-volume production at a fraction of the cost of traditional programs.

Castelion's flagship weapon, Blackbeard, is under contract with both the U.S. Navy and Army.

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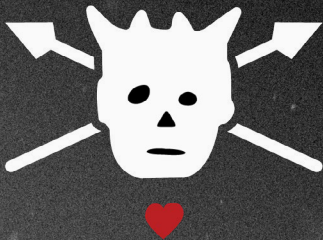
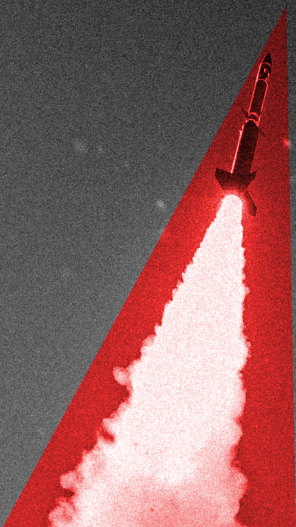


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Fast Facts

- Founded in 2022
- Headquarters in Torrance, California with offices in Allen, Texas; Midland, Texas; Rio Rancho, New Mexico; and Washington, D.C.
- \$450M+ in private capital raised
- 24 flight tests in 13 months
- The largest dedicated hypersonic manufacturing campus, Project Ranger, built for 6,000+ systems per year.
- Under contract with the U.S. Navy (F/A-18) and U.S. Army (HIMARS)
- First Navy production order: 50 Blackbeard missiles, delivery 2027
- Co-Founded by Bryon Hargis, CEO; Andrew Kreitz, CFO; Sean Pitt, COO
- 300+ employees





Our Flagship Weapon

Blackbeard

Low-cost. Scalable. Hypersonic Strike.

Blackbeard is a hypersonic strike weapon engineered to defeat modern air defenses through speed, altitude, and maneuverability.

Blackbeard integrates onto multiple platforms with minimal modification, enabling broad applicability across the joint force and forming the foundation of our vision for scalable, affordable deterrence.

Through innovative design and manufacturing processes, Castelion can produce Blackbeard weapons at roughly 1/10th the cost of traditional programs.

Specifications

Type	Maneuvering Hypersonic Strike Weapon
Speed	Mach 5+
Platforms	Navy F/A-18 Super Hornet: Army HIMARS
Cost	Under \$500,000 per system
Manufacturing	Annual production capacity of 6,000+ systems
Status	Navy contract for 2027 delivery (50 missiles)

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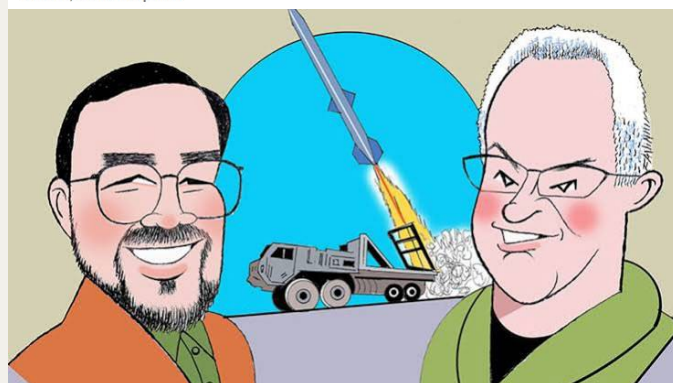
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The Team



BRYON HARGIS is co-founder and CEO of Castelion, where he builds the manufacturing infrastructure needed to produce affordable hypersonic weapons at the speed and scale required for modern deterrence.

Prior to Castelion, Bryon served as senior director of government sales at SpaceX, where he led sales, business development, and early product definition for national security satellite programs, architecting the Starshield constellation and building a multi-billion-dollar pipeline in under five years. Earlier, Bryon held a leadership role at an AI company acquired by Vista Equity and spent 12 years at JHU/APL supporting Aegis and advanced space programs.

He holds an M.S. in Applied Physics from Johns Hopkins University and a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech.



ANDREW KREITZ is co-founder and CFO of Castelion, where he leads the financial strategy behind the company's drive to manufacture U.S. hypersonic weapons at scale. Since co-founding Castelion in 2022, he has played a pivotal role in securing over \$450 million in private growth capital. The most recent raise, \$350 million Series B, funds Project Ranger, a dedicated hypersonic manufacturing campus in Rio Rancho, New Mexico.

Before Castelion, Andrew led financial planning and government cost proposals for classified programs at SpaceX. He previously served as vice president in Goldman Sachs' aerospace and defense investment banking group, where he executed more than \$10B in mergers and acquisitions. He holds an M.B.A. from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business and a B.A. from UCLA.



SEAN PITT is co-founder and COO of Castelion, where he leads operations and program execution for next-generation hypersonic strike systems. He is responsible for translating national security requirements into executable programs, driving customer engagement, structuring contracts, and ensuring end-to-end delivery. His work emphasizes reducing cost, compressing development timelines, and enabling sustained missile production at scale.

Prior to founding Castelion, Sean spent seven years at SpaceX in commercial launch sales and mission operations, leading launch and human spaceflight business across Europe and contributing to over \$1.25 billion in export sales. Throughout his career, Sean has focused on scaling mission-critical systems that demand speed, accountability, and decisive execution.

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