

Fred Smith throws support behind Pilot CEO

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During his trip to Washington D.C. Thursday, founder and CEO of FedEx Corp. Fred Smith lent his support to embattled Pilot Flying J CEO Jimmy Haslam. Smith sits on Pilot's board of directors.

According to the Knoxville News Sentinel, Smith was interviewed following his appearance at the Cato Institute. When asked if he had confidence in Haslam Smith responded, "Of course. I think Mr. Haslam and his father are first-class men."

Haslam and Pilot Flying J have come undersignificant scrutiny from federal investigators recently over allegations of fraud.