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Since 2005 Dr Clothier has established, led and continues to actively support numerous national and international forums on the regulation of the UAS and advanced air mobility sector. Dr Clothier currently holds positions on the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) Aviation Safety Advisory Panel, is a member of the Australian Strategic Air Traffic Management Council, and currently serves on the General Aviation Advisory Network, which directly advises the Federal Minister of Transport and Infrastructure. Reece is a founding board member and now President of the Australian Association for Uncrewed Systems; Australia's peak national industry association for the drone and advanced air mobility sector.

With over 100 peer reviewed academic publications, Dr Clothier is recognised as a leading researcher in the safety management and regulation of the emerging autonomous aviation sector. From 2005 through until 2014 Reece held a number of academic positions at Queensland University of Technology (QUT) and later, RMIT University. During this time Reece undertook numerous high impact research projects with industry and Government partners, including Boeing, Northrop Grumman, Insitu Pacific, Defence Science and Technology, CSIRO, Airservices Australia, and the Civil Aviation Safety Authority. In 2015, Reece spent time as a visiting researcher at NASA Ames and Langley, where he supported research in UAS air traffic management and airworthiness. In addition to teaching courses in engineering design, safety, and human factors, Dr Clothier held the role of Deputy Director of the Sir Lawrence Wackett Aerospace Research Centre, Australia's largest and highest ranked University centre for aerospace and aviation research.

Dr Clothier joined Boeing as a full time researcher in 2017 after a year running a successful consultancy company. In 2019 Reece joined Boeing NeXt, where he supports Boeing's global effort to realise urban air mobility and disruptive transportation, and in 2020, shifted to his current role as Principal Strategist within Boeing's Global Safety and Regulatory Affairs team.

