



Clay County Sheriff's Department Voluntary Statement

Name Corey Shorter DOB [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] State MO Zip 64688
SS# [REDACTED] Phone# [REDACTED] DL# & State [REDACTED]

After lunch we all went over the Mid day Job briefing.
Nothing had changed. As the linemen were getting ready I
put on the short haul and ask the pilot about Fuel, he said
he was good until after transferring guys. At 1:20
The crew lead called and asked to call James Brown and
get him to structure 157 the bird went down. I did so
then gathered the AED and Fire extinguishers and headed to
crash site.

Signed [REDACTED]
Witness [REDACTED]

Date 11-2-18
Date _____



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Name Elliott Kornegay DOB [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] State NC Zip 28365
SS# [REDACTED] Phone # [REDACTED] DL# & State [REDACTED]

I was not looking up, but I heard a loud crashing sound. As I looked the helicopter hit the ground. Billy rushed out to help as I called 911. After 911 was on the way I went out to help. Billy and I pulled Eric out of the helicopter after we confirmed the guys on the str were ok. We pulled Eric on to the water at the base of the str and waited for emergency services to arrive.

Signed [REDACTED]
Witness Elliott Kornegay

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Name Eli Bohanan DOB [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] State OK Zip 74726
SS# [REDACTED] Phone # [REDACTED] DL# & State [REDACTED]

At approximately 1300 hours Alec and myself hooked up to the HEC line, and flew out to the line to be worked on. We transferred onto the structure and started work. As we finished cutting out the X-brace we heard a loud noise and the structure we was on shook, we looked up and seen a cloud of smoke, at that time we climbed down and ran to the crash site,

Signed [REDACTED]
Witness

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Name JAMES L. BROWN DOB [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] State AR Zip 72450
SS# [REDACTED] Phone # [REDACTED] DL# & State [REDACTED]

I WAS PARKED IN OUR LANDING ZONE, ARRIVING AT OR AROUND 1:09 PM FOLLOWING LUNCH OBSERVING THE HELICOPTER PICK UP 2 EMPLOYEES (AARON MOORE & JANSSEN FELINZ) VIA SHORT HAUL. OBSERVED AIRCRAFT LEAVE LZ AND I BEGAN CHECKING EMAILS WHEN AT 1:20 PM GROUNDMAN COREY SHORTER CAME TO ME AND QUICKLY INFORMED ME "THE BIRD WAS DOWN". I ASKED WHERE AND HE DIDN'T KNOW. I IMMEDIATELY LEFT LZ AND DROVE THE FEW MILES TO WHERE US LEFT OFF BEFORE LUNCH. IN THAT TIME COREY SHORTER CALLED AND INFORMED ME OF THE LOCATION WHERE I MET BILLY DEPUE AND ERIC KERNIGAN. I IMMEDIATELY CONFIRMED ERIC RAISEN WAS DECEASED AND BEGAN ASSESSING THE TWO EMPLOYEES WHO WERE STANDING AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PRE-EXISTING STRUCTURE.

AT THIS TIME LOCAL EMERGENCY PERSONNEL BEGAN ARRIVING ON SITE.

Signed [REDACTED] Date 11-2-2018
Witness [REDACTED] Date _____



Clay County Sheriff's Department Voluntary Statement

Name Billy DePue JR DOB [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] State VT Zip 05301
SS# [REDACTED] Phone # [REDACTED] DL# & State [REDACTED]

Myself & Elliott Kornegay was setting in truck between structure 156 & 157 on Field Road, watched Heli fly by with Eli & Alce and doped them off up line, then Heli flew back to LZ to pick up Aaron & Janssen on short haul and flew then to structure 167, I was watching them get lowered down to old structure then I looked away and heard a loud bang, I then looked and seen Heli falling and land in flooded field on its side I took off running to Heli trying to hit emergency button on phone, I then yelled at Elliott to call 911, As running to Heli I hear Janssen yell to Help Erik the pilot, I then got to Aircraft and picked His Head out of water and Released His Seat belt and at that time Aaron He was Gone, I Got Elliott to Help me carry Him to mats, and then Emergency showed up.

Signed [REDACTED]
Witness [REDACTED]

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Clay County Sheriff's Department Voluntary Statement

Name Alec Gregory DOB [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED] State CA Zip 95959
SS# [REDACTED] Phone # [REDACTED] DL# & State [REDACTED]

Eli and myself had just been dropped off on a structure
5 spans away via short haul (HEC). We had just
begin work when I felt the wood poles shake.
I looked up and saw a big cloud of smoke
coming from the field where Tansen and Aaron were
getting dropped off by the helicopter in the same
way we just had. I climbed down the pole,
dropped my tools and started running down the
right of way towards the crash.

Signed [REDACTED]
Witness [REDACTED]

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