



NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Investigator name: Shaun Williams
Title: Senior Aviation Accident Investigator
Region: Central

Date: 30 July, 2019
Person Contacted: Patrick Jarman
NTSB Accident Number: CEN19LA242

Narrative:

On July 27, 2019, about 1220 eastern daylight time, an Icon A5 airplane, N663BA, sustained substantial damage during an impact with trees shortly after departure from Littlefield Lake, Lake, Michigan. Mr. Jarman was a passenger on the accident airplane.

Mr Jarman stated in an interview that he was seated in the left seat at the time of the accident. He said "the weather was not the best" and that the wind was shifting 180°. He stated that he told the pilot-in-command (PIC) this sentiment, and that it took four takeoff attempts to get airborne.

After the second attempt, he said he told the PIC that it would not break his heart if they did not go. The airplane felt very sluggish and acted as if it did not want to come off the water. When they did get airborne, they were about 100 ft from the trees, headed straight toward them and the airplane "felt very heavy." When asked to elaborate on the weight, he said the PIC told him they had 485lbs available and only $\frac{3}{4}$ of a tank of fuel. He stated that his weight was 200 lbs.

END OF INTERVIEW