

Brannen John

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Subject: FW: Message from [REDACTED] East Michigan FSDO Information

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John,

Here is the statement from a witness.

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From: [REDACTED]
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Message:

I witnessed a twin Cessna crash on takeoff yesterday August 30th around 12 noon at Ray Community Airport 57D. There were multiple witnesses so I am sure you have many statements. I am a Commercial rated pilot with single and multi engine land instrument with experience in Cessna twins mainly the 340 model. I was parked on Indian Trail at the start of Runway 28 and watched the aircraft taxi on to runway 28 and then not to elect to use the displaced threshold as available runway and taxi up past the start of 28. The aircraft then stopped and then jammed the throttles to full. The aircraft accelerated and started to veer to the left and then over corrected to the right and at that point it was going to exit the runway. The pilot raised the nose and the plane attempted to fly in ground effect with both wing wallowing near stall. It eventually dropped a wing and pancaked sideways near the end of 28 in the grass field. There were two airplanes that taxi'd back to help and a few vehicles. If you need any further information I can be reached at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Best regards, Aaron Forest