



NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Investigator name: Kevin Otterstrom
Mode: Aviation Accident Investigator
Region: Central Region

Date: March 16, 2023
Person Contacted: FAA Inspector Dawn Shurlow
NTSB Accident Number: CEN23LA115

Narrative:

In a phone conversation with FAA Inspector Dawn Shurlow, she stated the following:

She interviewed Mr. Lowrance on 02/16/2023. Mr. Lowrance stated that, he was practicing touch and go landings for training. On the fourth pattern, the tower asked him if he could take a short approach due to traffic. He accepted, but “delayed his turn to base as requested and decided to shorten his turn to final to remain inside the Diamond and waited to lower the landing gear until the final turn to short final at which time he went two notches of flaps and extend the gear.”

In his statement to Inspector Shurlow, the pilot stated that it was “obvious he didn’t lower the gear.” He also stated that it was “obviously his fault” and that he should have gone around.

Inspector Shurlow also stated, when the aircraft was jacked up, the gear handle was exercised, and the gear came down.

END OF INTERVIEW