



NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Central Region – Arlington, Texas

SUMMARY of INTERVIEW

Who: Richard Sisney, Witness

When: March 9, 2015

RE: ERA15FA147

Mr. Sisney was interviewed prior to the NTSB's arrival to the accident site by a local detective. The interview was recorded and this is a summary of that interview:

Mr. Sisney stated that he was standing on the beach of a small lake that was on Randy Henderson's property that also had a small airstrip. He said the airplane initially made a high pass over the airstrip. The pilot then returned, but this time he was a lot lower altitude and he "buzzed" the lake. The pilot then pulled the airplane straight up to clear a stand of 50-foot-tall pine trees, when it suddenly nosed over and dropped straight down into the ground on the opposite side of the tree line. Mr. Sisney said the airplane and engine were operating normally and the pilot was "just having fun." When the airplane passed over the lake, the pilot was grinning from "ear to ear" and the passenger was waving out of the window. Mr. Sisney said it wasn't windy or raining at the time of the accident.

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