

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public use aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Fallston Airport (W42) State: MD
 ZIP: 21047 Country: US
 Latitude: 39.5002 N (dd:mm:ss N/S) Longitude: 76.4092 W (ddd:mm:ss E/W)

Date/Time

Date: 02/04/2017 Local Time: 1330
 mm/dd/yyyy Time Zone: Eastern time

Phase of Operation

☐ Standing ☐ Takeoff (incl. initial climb) ☐ Cruise ☒ Hover
☐ Taxi ☐ Climb ☐ Maneuvering ☐ Other
☐ Descent ☐ Landing ☐ Approach ☐ Unknown

Collision with Other Aircraft

☐ Midair
☐ On-ground
☒ None

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence

460 ft MSL

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: Robinson

Model: R-22

Serial Number: 4005

Registration Number: N7518G

Amateur-built: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Max Gross Weight: 1,370 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1,319 lbs

Location of Center of Gravity at Time of Accident/Incident:

96.2 inches from ☐ nose or ☒ datum
 -or- Percent Mean Aerodynamic Cord (% MAC)

Category of Aircraft

☐ Airplane
☐ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyrocraft
☒ Helicopter
☐ Powered lift
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

Standard
☒ Normal
☐ Utility
☐ Acrobatic
☐ Transport

Special

☐ Restricted
☐ Limited
☐ Provisional
☐ Experimental
☐ Special Flight
☐ Light Sport

Number of Seats: 2

If Large Aircraft, how many seats for:

Flight Crew:

Cabin Crew:

Passengers:

Landing Gear ☐ Retractable

Check any additional landing gear configuration that applies:

☐ Tricycle ☐ Tailwheel
☐ Amphibian ☐ High Skid
☐ Emergency Float ☒ Skid
☐ Float ☐ Ski
☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ Unknown

Type of Maintenance Program

☒ Annual
☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
☐ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
☐ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)
☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ Other, specify:

Last Inspection Type

☒ 100 Hour ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ AAIP ☐ Conditional Inspection
☐ Annual ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 12/22/2016

mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 3,343 hrs

hours measured at (check one)

☒ Last Inspection ☐ Time of Accident/Incident

IFR Equipped

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

Stall Warning System Installed

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of Fire Extinguishing System

☒ None
☐ Specify

ELT Installed

☐ Yes ☒ No

ELT Activated

☐ Yes ☐ No

ELT Aided in Locating Accident/Incident

☐ Yes ☒ No

ELT Manufacturer:

Model/Series:

Serial Number:

Battery Type:

Battery Exp. Date:

Engine Type

☒ Reciprocating ☐ Turbo Jet
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Turbo Fan
☐ Turbo Prop ☐ Unknown

Reciprocating Fuel System Type

☒ Carburetor
☐ Fuel Injected

Propeller

☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch

Manufacturer:

Model:

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Engine Rated Power Measured as (check one) ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since Inspection (hours)	Time Since Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Lycoming	O-360-J2A	L-40320-36A	07/26/2005	145	3,398	55	1,143
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**Name: Middle River Aviation, LLCFractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No**Owner Address**City: Middle RiverState: MD ZIP: 21220Country: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☒ Same As Registered Owner

Name: _____

Doing Business As: Middle River Aviation, LLC

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____

Operator Address☒ Same As Registered Owner

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Regulation Flight Conducted Under

- | | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---|--|
| ☒ FAR 91 | ☐ FAR 129 | ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight | ☐ Public Use (select type) |
| ☐ FAR 103 | ☐ FAR 133 | ☐ Non-US, Commercial | ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local |
| ☐ FAR 121 | ☐ FAR 135 | ☐ Non-US, Non-commercial | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ FAR 125 | ☐ FAR 137 | ☐ Armed Forces | |

Revenue Sightseeing Flight☐ Yes ☒ No**Air Medical Flight**☐ Yes ☒ No**Purpose of Flight**

for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 (Select one)

- ☐ Personal
☐ Business
☐ Executive/Corporate
☐ Other Work Use
☒ Instructional
☐ Ferry
☐ Positioning
☐ Aerial Application
☐ Aerial Observation
☐ Air Drop
☐ Air Race / Show
☐ Flight Test
☐ Public Use
☐ Unknown

Revenue Operation

for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 (Select one)

- ☐ Scheduled or Commuter
☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi

Domestic or International☐ Domestic ☐ International**Cargo Operation**

- ☐ Passenger/Cargo
☐ Passenger _____ How many?
☐ Cargo _____ lbs
☐ Mail

Type of Commercial Operating Certificate Held

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (121)
☐ Supplemental
☐ Air Cargo
☐ Foreign Air Carriers (129)
☐ Commuter Air Carrier (135)
☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (135)
☐ Large Helicopter (127)
☐ Rotorcraft External Load (133)
- or -
☐ Agricultural Aircraft (137)
☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION

(If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for other aircraft)

Aircraft Registration Number: _____

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft☐ Destroyed ☐ Minor
☐ Substantial ☐ None**Registered Owner of Other Aircraft**

First Name: _____

Middle Initial: _____

Last Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

First Name: _____

Middle Initial: _____

Last Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE

(If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)

Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

Total Time/Cycles On Part

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

Time Since This Part Inspected/Overhauled

_____ Hours

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**☐ None ☒ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed**Aircraft Fire**☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Unknown Origin
☐ On-Ground**Aircraft Explosion**☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Unknown Origin
☐ On-Ground

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (use additional sheet if necessary)

Tail boom, tail rotor and gearbox, landing gear (skids), all destroyed. Possible airframe damage TBD.

No damage to other property.

AIRPORT INFORMATION (If the accident/incident occurred on approach, takeoff or within 3 miles of an airport, complete this section)Airport Identifier: W42Distance From Airport Center: 0 SMAirport Name: Fallston

Direction From Airport: _____ degrees MAG

Proximity to Airport ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☒ On Airport ☐ On AirstripAirport Elevation: 460 ft. MSL**Approach Segment** (Select one)☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Landing ☐ Base leg ☐ Final ☐ Go Around
☐ Crosswind ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)**IFR Approach** (Check all that apply)☒ None ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ ADF/NDB ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ SDF ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Loran
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual ☐ Unknown
☐ VOR/DME ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ TACAN ☐ RNAV ☐ Circling**VFR Approach** (Check all that apply)☒ None ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Touch and Go
☐ Straight-In ☐ Simulated Forced Landing
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Forced Landing
☐ Go Around ☐ Precautionary Landing
☐ Full Stop ☐ Unknown**Runway Information**Runway ID: 04-22 (L/R/C) Length: 2,200 ft Width: 50 ft**Runway/Landing Surface** (Check all that apply)☒ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Unknown
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow**Condition of Runway/Landing Surface** (Check all that apply)☒ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm
☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy
☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy
☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet
☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft ☐ Unknown
☐ Slush Covered ☐ Vegetation**FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION****Last Departure Point**Airport ID: KMTNCity: Middle RiverState: MDCountry: US**Time of Departure**Time: 1230Time Zone: Eastern**Destination**Airport ID: KMTNCity: Middle RiverState: MDCountry: US**Type Flight Plan Filed**☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR
☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR
☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown
☐ VFRActivated? ☐ Yes ☐ No**Type of ATC Clearance/Service** (Check all that apply)☐ None ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise
☒ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA**Airspace where the accident/incident occurred** (Check all that apply)☐ Class A ☐ Class E ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☒ Class G ☐ Restricted Area ☐ TRSA ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Demo Area ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ FAR 93 ☐ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Warning Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area**Aircraft Load Description** (Check all that apply)☒ None ☐ Towing Glider ☐ Parachutists ☐ Livestock
☐ Passengers ☐ Towing Banner ☐ Water ☐ Unknown
☐ Cargo ☐ Other External ☐ Chemical/Fertilizer/Seeds**FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION****Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff**

(convert from pounds, as necessary)

15 Gallons**Fuel Type**☐ 80/87 ☐ 115/145 ☐ JP3
☒ 100 Low Lead ☐ Jet A ☐ JP4
☐ 100/130 ☐ Automotive ☐ JP5☐ Other, specify _____

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFT

Was an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location
Immediate engine shut down, Brought main rotor blades to a stop, exited aircraft.

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Weather Observation Facility

Facility ID: _____

Observation Time: _____

Time Zone: _____

Distance from Accident Site: _____ NM

Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees MAG

Source of Weather Information

(Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ☒ National Weather Service | ☐ Company |
| ☐ Flight Service Station | ☐ Military |
| ☐ TV/Radio | ☐ Internet |
| ☐ Automated Report | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) | |

Method of Briefing

(Check all that apply)

- | |
|--|
| ☐ In Person |
| ☐ Teletype |
| ☒ Telephone/Computer |
| ☐ Aircraft Radio |
| ☐ TV/Radio |
| ☐ Unknown |

Briefing Type/Completeness

- | | |
|---|--|
| ☐ Full | ☐ Abbreviated |
| ☐ Partial / Limited By Pilot | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Partial / Limited By Briefer | ☐ Not Pertinent |

Light Condition

- | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ Dawn | ☐ Dusk | ☐ Dark Night |
| ☒ Day | ☐ Night | ☐ Bright Night |
| | | ☐ Not Reported |

Visibility

_____ 10 miles

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition

- | | |
|--|--|
| ☒ Clear | ☐ Thin Broken |
| ☐ Few | ☐ Thin Overcast |
| ☐ Partial Obscuration | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Scattered | |

Ceiling

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| ☒ None (clear) | ☐ Obscured |
| ☐ Broken | ☐ Indefinite |
| ☐ Overcast | ☐ Unknown |

Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ Fog |
| ☐ Blowing Dust | ☐ Ground Fog |
| ☐ Blowing Sand | ☐ Haze |
| ☐ Blowing Snow | ☐ Ice Fog |
| ☐ Blowing Spray | ☐ Smoke |
| ☐ Dust | ☐ Unknown |

Lowest Cloud Condition Height

_____ ft AGL

Ceiling Height

_____ ft AGL

Wind Direction

☐ Indicated:
_____ 250 degrees MAG

☐ Variable

Wind Speed

Velocity: _____ 9 KTS

-or-

- | |
|---|
| ☐ Calm |
| ☐ Light and Variable |

Wind Gusts

Velocity: _____ KTS

- | |
|---|
| ☐ Gusting |
| ☒ Not Gusting |

Type of Turbulence (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|---|
| ☒ None | ☐ In Clouds |
| ☐ Clear Air | ☐ Vicinity of Thunderstorm |

Severity of Turbulence

- | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Extreme | ☐ Moderate | ☐ Light |
| ☐ Severe | ☐ Moderate Chop | |

NOTAMs (D, L and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident

Temperature: _____ 2 (C)
or _____ (F)

Altimeter Setting: _____ 3040 in. HG
or _____ MB

Density Altitude: _____ -1,534 ft

Dew Point: _____ -12 (C)
or _____ (F)

Icing Forecast

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------|
| Amount | Type |
| ☒ None | ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Light | ☐ Mixed |
| ☐ Moderate | |
| ☐ Severe | |

Icing Actual

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------|
| Amount | Type |
| ☒ None | ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Light | ☐ Mixed |
| ☐ Moderate | |
| ☐ Severe | |

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|---|
| ☒ None | ☐ Drizzle |
| ☐ Rain | ☐ Ice Pellets |
| ☐ Snow | ☐ Snow Pellets |
| ☐ Hail | ☐ Snow Grains |
| ☐ Rain Showers | ☐ Ice Crystals |
| ☐ Freezing Rain | ☐ Ice Pellets Shower |
| ☐ Snow Shower | ☐ Freezing Drizzle |

Intensity of Precipitation

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Light | ☐ Moderate | ☐ Heavy |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|

PILOT "A" INFORMATION**Pilot "A" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☒ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

Pilot "A" Identification

First Name: Nicholas City: Havre De Grace
Middle Initial: J State: MD ZIP: 21078
Last Name: Simms Country: US
Age at time of Accident/Incident: 27 Date of Birth: mm/dd/yyyy Certificate Number: mm/dd/yyyy

Degree of Injury

☒ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

☒ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Seat Belt

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
Available ☒ Yes ☐ No

Shoulder Harness

Used ☐ Yes ☐ No
Available ☐ Yes ☒ No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☒ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☒ Private ☒ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

Principal Occupation

☒ Pilot
☐ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☒ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☒ Without limitations/waivers
☐ With limitations/waivers
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Medical

03/11/2014
mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations**Medical Certificate Waivers****Date of Last Flight Review
or Equivalent, Including
FAR 121/135 Checks:**

10/29/2016
mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Robinson
Model: R-22

Airplane Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☒ None
☐ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airship
☐ Free Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☒ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airplane
☒ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☒ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered Lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)**Flight Time** (enter appropriate
number of hours in each box)

	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	308		2		11		44	307		
Pilot in Command (PIC)	247				8			247		
Time as Instructor	100				1					
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days	72		2		1		1	70		
Last 30 Days	24							24		
Last 24 Hours	0									

PILOT "B" INFORMATION**Pilot "B" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☒ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

Pilot "B" Identification

First Name: Hunter City: Pasadena
Middle Initial: B State: MD ZIP: 21122
Last Name: Bevis Country: US
Age at time of Accident/Incident: 38 Date of Birth: Certificate Number:
mm/dd/yyyy

Degree of Injury

☒ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☒ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Seat Belt

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
Available ☒ Yes ☐ No

Shoulder Harness

Used ☐ Yes ☐ No
Available ☐ Yes ☒ No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☒ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☒ Private ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☒ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☒ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☒ Without limitations/waivers
☐ With limitations/waivers
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Medical

02/24/2014

mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations**Medical Certificate Waivers****Date of Last Flight Review
or Equivalent, Including
FAR 121/135 Checks:**

mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: _____
Model: _____

Airplane Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☒ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☒ None
☐ Airship
☐ Free Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☒ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered Lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)**Flight Time** (enter appropriate
number of hours in each box)

	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter- Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time										
Pilot in Command (PIC)										
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days										
Last 30 Days										
Last 24 Hours										

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin attendants, complete the following information)

Pilot Name and Address

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☐ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☐ Private ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single
☐ Unknown

Type Rating/Endorsement for

Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Flight Time at the Time

of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs

Pilot Name and Address

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☐ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☐ Private ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single
☐ Unknown

Type Rating/Endorsement for

Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Flight Time at the Time

of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs

Pilot Name and Address

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Student ☐ Recreational ☐ Commercial ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Foreign
☐ Private ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Sport ☐ Airline Transport ☐ U.S. Military

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single
☐ Unknown

Type Rating/Endorsement for

Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Flight Time at the Time

of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs

PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include flight attendants; continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Name and Address

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Seat

Crew

Non-

Revenue

Revenue

Non-

Occupant

FAA

Fatal

Serious

Injury

Minor

Injury

No Injury

Unknown

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____

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 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
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 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT (Please type or print in ink)

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State time and point of departure, intended destination, and services obtained. The flight consisted of a departure from KMTN with a north heading involving lessons regarding straight and level flight, climbs, descents, banks, flight at various speeds, as well as, an introduction to a hover. After flying north for approximately forty-five minutes, the student and I transitioned back to the south. On our flight route back to KMTN, I, the instructor, took controls and made a normal approach into runway 22 at Fallston Airport. Upon reaching the runway, I performed a successful side step to the grass and began to teach the student pilot how to hover the aircraft. One control was handed over at a time to the student, while I maintained continued assistance with the controls. The student was handling all three flight controls--with my guided assistance--when the aircraft began to drift backwards. I immediately advised the student pilot to ease up on controls, when instantaneously the aircraft entered into an uncontrollable spin to the left, which leads me (the instructor) to believe that the student froze up on the flight controls. I attempted to regain control of the aircraft; however, had no authority over the flight controls due to the student pilot still having forced inputs upon them. As a result, the inability to regain control led to the empennage and tail rotor striking the ground surface. I immediately rolled off the throttle and the aircraft's right skid impacted, teetered for one second, allowing me to rapidly lower the collective and sit the helicopter down in a standing position. The uncontrolled tail spins to the left resulted with damage to the landing gear and tail surfaces. Once on the ground, I pulled the mixture in order to cut power to the engine. Furthermore, I turned off electronics on the aircraft, as well as, the fuel valve.

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

A more thorough safety briefing to include positive handoff of controls could have prevented the accident. An assumption that because the student was a commercially rated fixed wing pilot and understood the positive handoff of controls led to the accident.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION *(Please type or print in ink)*

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE**Date of this Report**

02/06/2017

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Signature and Name of Pilot/Operator

Signature: [REDACTED]

Type or Print Name: Nicholas Simms

Signature and Name of Person Filing Report if Other than Pilot/Operator

Signature: [REDACTED]

Type or Print Name: Kevin Walsh

Title: President, Middle River Aviation, LLC

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