

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

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

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: WEST PALM BEACH State: Florida

ZIP: 33478 Country: USA

Latitude: 26-50.755000N Longitude: 080-13.340000W

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 02/06/2017 Local Time: 1550

mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: EST

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N7685H

Manufacturer: ROBINSON

Model: R22

Serial Number: 3362

Year of Manufacture: 08/23/2002

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Kit/Plans Make:
☐ Original Design

- ☐ IFR-Equipped and Certified
☐ Commercial Space Flight
☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: 1370 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1230.7 lbs

Number of Seats: 2 Flight Crew Seats: 1

Cabin Crew Seats: 0 Passenger Seats: 1

Number of Engines: 1

Category of Aircraft

- ☐ Airplane
☐ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☒ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift
☐ Rocket
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate

(Check all that apply)

Standard

- ☒ Normal
☐ Acrobatic
☐ Balloon
☐ Commuter
☐ Transport
☐ Utility

Special

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

☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☒ None ☐ Unknown

Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

☐ Retractable

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

☐ Other Launch/Recovery System

☒ None ☐ Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

- ☒ Reciprocating ☐ Liquid Rocket
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Solid Rocket
☐ Turbo Prop ☐ Hybrid Rocket
☐ Turbo Jet ☐ None
☐ Turbo Fan ☐ Unknown
☐ Electric

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

☒ Carburetor ☐ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	LYCOMING	O-360-J2A	L-4129-36E		145	2895.2	41.5	404.2
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

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

Date Last Inspection: 12/16/2016
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 2593.8 hrs

hours measured at (Select one)

☐ Last Inspection ☒ Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program (Select one)

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

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☒ None
☐ Specify:

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer:

Model:

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer:

Model:

ELT Installed: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer:

Model or Part No.:

TSO No.: ☐ C91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ C91a (121.5 MHz)
☐ C126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Did ELT Activate? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If activated:

Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not activated:

- Indicate Reason: ☐ Impact Damage
☐ Fire Damage
☐ Battery Expired/Damaged
☐ Unknown

Additional Equipment (Check all that apply)

- ☐ ADS-B
☐ Airframe Parachute
☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
☐ Autopilot
☐ Data Recorder
☐ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
☐ Handheld GPS
☐ Heads Up Display
☐ Onboard Weather
☐ Satellite Tracking Device
☐ Stall Warning System
☐ Video Recording Device
☐ Other, Specify:

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION			
Registered Aircraft Owner Name: <u>HIGGINS LEASING INC</u> Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No		City: <u>THE WOODLANDS</u> State: <u>TEXAS</u> ZIP: <u>77387</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Operator of Aircraft ☐ Same As Registered Owner Name: <u>CLOUD 9 HELICOPTERS</u> Doing Business As: <u>CLOUD 9 HELICOPTERS LLC</u> Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____		☐ Same Address as Registered Owner City: <u>WEST PALM BEACH</u> State: <u>FLORIDA</u> ZIP: <u>33412</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Operating Certificates Held <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☐ None ☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121) ☐ Supplemental ☐ Air Cargo ☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129) ☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133) ☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135) ☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135) ☐ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136) ☒ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137) ☒ Pilot School (FAR 141) ☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA) ☐ Commercial Space Transportation Experimental Permit ☐ Commercial Space Transportation License ☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft	Regulation Flight Conducted Under ☒ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415 ☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431 ☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435 ☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437 ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight ☐ Non-US, Commercial ☐ Non-US, Non-commercial ☐ Public Aircraft <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Armed Forces ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local ☐ Unknown		Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 <i>(Select one for each group)</i> ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic ☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International ☐ Passenger ☐ Cargo ☐ Mail Contract Only
Revenue Sightseeing Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No	Air Medical Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No		Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting ☐ Unknown ☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Flight Test ☐ Air Drop ☐ Glider Tow ☐ Air Race/Show ☒ Instructional ☐ Banner Tow ☐ Other Work Use ☐ Business ☐ Personal ☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Positioning ☐ External Load ☐ Skydiving ☐ Ferry
AIRPORT INFORMATION (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)			
Airport Name: <u>NORTH COUNTY GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORT</u> Airport Identifier: <u>F45</u> Proximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☒ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A		Distance From Airport Center: <u>0.25</u> sm Direction From Airport: <u>3473679</u> degrees true Airport Elevation: <u>22</u> ft. msl	
Runway Information Runway ID: <u>26R - D</u> (L/R/C) Length: <u>2150</u> ft Width: <u>35</u> ft		Condition of Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm ☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy ☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy ☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet ☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft ☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown	
Runway/Landing Surface <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☒ Macadam ☐ Water ☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown		Approach/Departure Segment <i>(Select one)</i> ☐ Taxi ☐ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach ☐ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☒ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around ☐ Initial Climb ☐ Crosswind ☐ Unknown ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)	
IFR Approach <i>(Check all that apply)</i> ☒ None ☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice ☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS ☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual ☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact ☐ RNAV ☐ Circling ☐ Unknown			
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"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification First Name: <u>WILLIAM</u> Middle Initial: <u>D</u> Last Name: <u>SEWELL</u> City of Residence: <u>JUPITER</u> State: <u>FLORIDA</u> ZIP: <u>33478</u> Country: <u>USA</u> Age at time of Accident/Incident: <u>42</u> Date of Birth: [REDACTED] <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i> Certificate Number: [REDACTED]																																																																																																				
Degree of Injury ☒ None ☐ Fatal ☐ Minor ☐ Unknown ☐ Serious		Seat Occupied ☒ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single		Restraint Type Available ☐ None ☐ Lap only ☒ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap only ☒ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown			Inflatable Restraints ☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown																																																																																													
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"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 2" INFORMATION

"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

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

"Flight Crewmember 2" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☒ No

"Flight Crewmember 2" Identification

First Name: MILAN

City of Residence: WEST PALM BEACH

Middle Initial: _____

State: FLORIDA

ZIP: 33401

Last Name: PAVLIK

Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 40

Date of Birth: mm/dd/yyyy

Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury

☒ None
 ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor
 ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

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

Restraint Type

Available

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☒ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Used

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☒ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☒ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Commercial
 ☐ US Military
☒ Private
 ☐ Recreational
 ☐ Airline Transport
 ☐ Foreign
☐ Student
 ☐ Sport
 ☐ Flight Engineer

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
 ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers
 ☐ N/A
☐ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical

04/15/2016
 mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

N/A

Medical Certificate Special Issuance

N/A

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

05/31/2015
 mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Cessna
 Model: C172

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
☐ 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
☐ Airplane Single-Engine
☐ Airplane Multi-Engine
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Powered Lift
☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Helicopter
☐ Glider
☐ 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	426	24	402	0	39	0	91	24	0	0
Pilot in Command (PIC)	333	0	333	0	26	0	91	0	0	0
Time as Instructor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
This Make/Model					2	0	0			
Last 90 Days	24	24	1	0	2	0	0	24	0	0
Last 30 Days	18	18	0	0	2	0	0	18	0	0
Last 24 Hours	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)

Crew Name and Address		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____		☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ Single ☐ Unknown	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)		Restraint Type:	Inflatable Restraints
☐ None ☐ Private ☐ Student ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Recreational ☐ Sport ☐ Commercial ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ US Military ☐ Foreign		Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No		Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs	

Crew Name and Address		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____		☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ Single ☐ Unknown	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)		Restraint Type:	Inflatable Restraints
☐ None ☐ Private ☐ Student ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Recreational ☐ Sport ☐ Commercial ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ US Military ☐ Foreign		Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
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PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Name and Address	Seat	Injury	Restraint Type	Inflatable Restraints	Age
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If Under 5, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point Airport ID: <u>F45</u> City: <u>WEST PALM BEACH</u> State: <u>FLORIDA</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Time of Departure Time: <u>1450</u> Time Zone: <u>EST</u>	Destination Airport ID: <u>F45</u> City: <u>WEST PALM BEACH</u> State: <u>FLORIDA</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Type Flight Plan Filed ☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown ☐ VFR Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown
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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 G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special ☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area ☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Unknown ☐ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA ☐ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93			Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: <u>25</u> ft msl

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Source of Pilot Weather Information (Check all that apply) ☐ National Weather Service ☐ Company ☐ Flight Service Station ☐ Military ☐ TV/Radio ☒ Internet ☒ Automated Report ☐ None ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ Unknown ☐ On-Board Weather	Weather Observation Facility Facility ID: <u>F45</u> Observation Time: <u>1844</u> Time Zone: <u>UTC</u> Distance from Accident Site: <u>0</u> nm Direction from Accident Site: <u>0</u> degrees true
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Basic Conditions ☒ VMC ☐ IMC ☐ Unknown	Light Condition ☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown ☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition ☐ Clear ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown ☒ Scattered Lowest Cloud Condition Height <u>3700</u> ft agl	Ceiling ☐ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured ☒ Broken ☐ Indefinite ☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown Ceiling Height <u>4900</u> ft agl
Temperature: <u>28</u> (C) or _____ (F) Dew Point: <u>17</u> (C) or _____ (F) Altimeter Setting: <u>30.16</u> in. Hg or _____ MB	

Wind Direction ☐ Variable - or - Direction: <u>080</u> degrees true	Wind Speed ☐ Calm ☐ Light and Variable - or - Speed: <u>10</u> kts	Wind Gusts ☐ Not Gusting - or - Speed: _____ kts	Visibility <u>10</u> miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Density Altitude: <u>1300</u> ft
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Intensity of Precipitation ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Heavy ☒ N/A ☐ Unknown	Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain ☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower ☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower ☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle ☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals	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
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Icing Forecast Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☒ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown	Icing Actual Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown Type ☒ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown	Turbulence Type (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Clear Air ☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Convective Turbulence Severity ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Extreme
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NOTAMS (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY					
Aircraft Damage ☐ None ☒ Substantial ☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed ☐ ☐ Unknown	Aircraft Fire ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight ☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time ☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown	Aircraft Explosion ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight ☐ In-Flight ☐ Explosion at Unknown Time ☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown			
Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property <i>(Use additional sheet if necessary)</i> TAIL EMPANAGE TORN AND DROOPED. MAINROTOR BLADE GROUND STRIKE CAUSING BLADE COMPRESSION, DEFORMATION AND BENDING. TAILROTOR BLADE SEPERATION SUDDEN STOPAGE TO MAINROTOR GEARBOX, TAILROTOR GEARBOX, DRIVESHAFTS AND ENGINE					
NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT <i>(Please type or print in ink)</i>					
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 departure time and and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.					
The lesson began approximately 1450hrs EST, taxiing out to runway 8L from the south hangers at F45. During the initial taxi out the Low Rotor RPM in taxi was discussed and demonstrated to the student. The training then departed from 8R and joined the traffic pattern for runway 8L using the Delta taxiway. A series of maneuvers followed including normal approach, steep approach, shallow approach culminating in running landing. These maneuvers went well and progression was made to autorotation descents with power recovery. After three autorotative descents the student was showing good handling and control. At this point the lesson moved onto normal pick-up and set-down before moving onto slope landings with Right skid into the slope, to consolidate some of the handling techniques. On completion, a normal Rapid-deceleration maneuver was conducted on Delta taxiway. This maneuver was accomplished well. Now upon near completion of the flight-training lesson we were hover taxiing along Taxiway Delta towards Taxiway Foxtrot. I had informed the student we would taxi around to the run-up area for Runway 26L (a large tarmacadam square) where I would talk through and demonstrate a stationary hover auto-rotation as this was a maneuver we had spoken of previously. At this point the student enquired as to auto-rotations whilst taxiing. I informed him we demonstrate and train for Low Rotor RPM in the hover taxi, which was a maneuver we had done earlier in the lesson. We were in an approximate three (3) feet hover taxi at this time and I said we would do the Low Rotor RPM maneuver again, as we had done before. I began to demonstrate the maneuver with the student following on the controls, to begin I rolled off a small amount of throttle (to reduce the Rotor RPM) the nose began to yaw left. At this point I attempted to apply right pedal to keep the aircraft heading aligned with the taxiway, as is the normal for this maneuver. The response was not instantaneous as it should have been and felt as if the pedal could have been inadvertently blocked giving restricted movement, this meant that I was unable to maintain the heading as the aircraft began to sink towards the taxiway. The right skid struck the ground with forward momentum, at which point the nose appeared then to yaw Right and straighten, as if the initial pedal input had taken place and the block had been removed. This then rapidly turned the aircraft Right, causing a bounce, in which, due to the Right Yaw the Left skid now contacted the ground, causing the aircraft to bounce towards the grass area close to the taxiway intersections. I attempted to roll-on throttle and raise collective to gain height above the ground in an attempt to fly out of the situation, as I felt lowering the collective would cause the aircraft to land on the grassed area with catastrophic conclusions. It became obvious this attempt failed as the aircraft began to increase the Right yaw. but with not enough Rotor Rpm the aircraft again contacted with the ground and rolled over to the Left. Once all movement had stopped, and surveying the situation, I switched of all electrical equipment, checked on the student and helped him evacuate the right side of the aircraft. At this point I was able to contact my office and ask for assistance, and exited the aircraft myself. On inspection of the immediate area, it appeared that during this event we had struck a taxiway light with the left skid, which would have contributed to the last roll over to the left.					

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

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(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

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION**Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff**

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

_____ Gallons

Fuel Type☐ 80/87☒ 100 Low Lead☐ 100/130☐ 115/145☐ Jet A☐ Jet A-1☐ Jet B☐ JP8☐ Automotive☐ Other, specify _____

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No**Method of Exit** - Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

As the aircraft lay on the left side, the Right seat occupant was aided by the Left seat occupant to support his weight and he climb out of the Right door. The Left seat occupant was then able to stand up and also exit the aircraft climbing through the Right door.

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**

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

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

02/09/2017
mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: WILLIAM D SEWELL

Signature: 

-- or -- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

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Name of Investigator
Alleyne

Date Report Received
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