

NEW YORK STATE POLICE

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
-- VS.

Defendant(s)

INCIDENT LOCATION:

STATE OF NEW YORK LOCAL CRIMINAL COURT

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCE

TOWN _____ of CANTON _____

LOCATION OF DEPOSITION:

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCE

TOWN _____ of CANTON _____

Date On <u>05/03/2017</u>	at <u>10:35 PM</u>	Full Name: I, <u>MARK F BURNS</u>
Date of Birth [REDACTED]	No. and Street [REDACTED]	CITY <u>CANTON</u>
		State <u>NY</u>

State The Following:

My name is Mark F. Burns, I am speaking with Trooper Prashaw of the New York State Police. I am making this statement of my own free will. On the evening of 05/03/2017 at approximately 8:30 PM I was riding as a passenger in my brother (TYLER BURNS) car. We were traveling south on French Hill Road, just north of Number 9 Road in the Town of Colton. Myself and TYLER noticed the lights of a small plane and they appeared to be approximately 50 feet off the ground. I then noticed that the plane pointed its nose up in the air. I didn't see or hear it crash. We continued to drive south on Windmill Road and I noticed smoke approximately 100 feet into the woods. Myself and my brother got out of the car in the driveway of the property where it crashed. When we got out of the car we met up with the neighbors who stated they called 911. My brother was on the phone with 911 when we walked up to the wreckage. We attempted to get as close as possible. There was nothing we could do with the amount of fire. I believe I witnessed only one occupant, he appeared to be sitting in his seat engulfed in flames. I didn't hear any screams, it was dead silent with exception to the sound of the fire. We remained on scene until the fire fighters arrived on scene.

Notice

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(WITNESS)

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05/03/2017 10:51 PM

(NAME OF PERSON TAKING DEPOSITION)

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INCIDENT LOCATION:STATE OF NEW YORK LOCAL CRIMINAL COURTCOUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN COLTONLOCATION OF DEPOSITION:

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN POTSDAMOn 05/03/2017 at 10:56 PM Full Name: TYLER J BURNSDate of Birth [REDACTED] No. and Street [REDACTED]CITY POTSDAMState NY

State The Following:

On today's date being 5317, I, TYLER J. BURNS, am speaking to Trooper Thomas about an incident that occurred earlier today near 327 Windmill Rd, Potsdam.

Earlier today before 8:00 P.M., my brother, MARK F. BURNS and I were driving around enjoying the night. I was driving my mother's car which is a white ford focus. We started our car ride on Post Road, Canton, which is where MARK lives. We began traveling the back roads with no destination in mind. Around 8:30 P.M., I started driving south on Windmill Road, in the Town of Colton when I noticed two lights which looked 10 feet apart from one another vertical to each other. We were about a quarter mile away from the lights. I thought it was a drone or a remote controlled plane at first. The plane did full spin before it entered the trees at side angle. We pulled over to the side of the road and that is when I called 911. I heard fire crackling as I got out of the car. I did not hear any voices coming from the woods. My brother, the neighbors, and I entered the woods to find out if it was a plane or a drone. I recognized one of the neighbors to be Tyler Woods. It took us about one minute for us to get to the plane from the road. I got about thirty feet away from the plane and saw a big fire. My brother walked closer to the fire than I did because I walked back to the road to keep other people from entering. My brother saw at least one person strapped to the cockpit seat. A fire fighter arrived and that is when he told everyone who was there to back up. I went back to my car to smoke a cigarette and that is when I heard a popping sound come from the crash site. I waited until the Trooper to arrive to get my contact information. I did not touch anything while I was at the scene.

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05/03/2017 11:43 PM

(NAME OF PERSON TAKING DEPOSITION)



ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

48 Court Street, Canton, New York 13617-1169

Telephone: [REDACTED]



Supporting Deposition (CPL 100.20)

STATE OF NEW YORK

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County of St. Lawrence

Jamie L. Johnson
Deponent

Town of Colton

Resident At: [REDACTED]

Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Age: 36 Occupation: Special Education teacher

Telephone Number: (Home) [REDACTED] Telephone Number: (Work)

States as follows: I Jamie Johnson Live at the above listed address with my husband Joshua Johnson and two children Emma and Gabriel. I was on my way home from our farm on french Pond Road, my husband was driving and the children were in the back seat. We were traveling North East on the Windmill Road with my, I saw a lot a of smoke in the sky and it was around 8:30pm. After we saw the fire, Joshua pulled off the right side of the road and Joshua ran into the wood where the smoke and fire was. While Joshua was near the fire, I was approached by two gentlemen, one guy was wearing a red shirt and I don't remember what the other guy was wearing. I asked them if they called 911 and they said they already had. I saw a trooper talking to those two gentlemen later on. Joshua came out of the woods and came and told me that he possibly saw a body. Joshua went back down to the scene to help out. I then left and brought the kids home.

When we first arrived on scene I placed a call to 911 at 8:37pm and told them my location and that I saw a lot of black smoke and there was a fire. Dispatch advised me that

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Officer Making statement: [REDACTED]

5-03-17 22:49

Date

Deponent: [REDACTED]

5-03-17 22:49
Date and Time

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STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN of COLTON

Date On <u>05/03/2017</u>	at <u>10:42 PM</u>	Full Name: I, <u>JOSHUA M JOHNSON</u>	
Date of Birth <u>[REDACTED]</u>	No. and Street <u>[REDACTED]</u>	C/TN <u>SOUTH COLTON</u>	State <u>NY</u>

State The Following:

I am speaking with Trooper Dowdle of the New York State Police at my residence located at [REDACTED] in the Town of Colton, County of St. Lawrence, State of New York, regarding an incident that took place on the Windmill Rd. in the Town of Colton on 05/03/2017 at approximately 8:40 p.m. and I state the following:

My name is Joshua M. Johnson and I was driving my wife's 2015 Chevrolet Traverse, north on State Highway 56 near the bridge in South Colton at approximately 8:35 p.m., when I observed heavy black smoke in the air in the vicinity of the Windmill Rd. in Colton, NY. I picked up the speed and I turned onto the Windmill Rd. to drive towards the smoke. As I drove down the Windmill Rd., traveling north, I observed heavy black smoke settling on the ground, kind of blocking the view of the road. I observed the main part of the smoke to be on the west side of the Windmill Rd. I was just passing an approximate address of 250 Windmill Rd. when I observed the heavy smoke. I continued traveling north on Windmill Rd., near the address of 327 Windmill Rd., when I looked in a westerly direction of the smoke and observed an approximate acre of the woods to be on fire. The fire was located approximately one hundred yards in the woods, west of the Windmill rd. I pulled over to call in the fire and I noticed a young adult white male, approximately in his mid to late 20's, wearing shorts and a tee shirt, walking out of the woods. I saw he was on a cell phone and I asked if he had called it in and what was going on. He said there was a plane crash and I asked him if there was anyone up there and he said "I dont know". I told my wife to call 911. The male never told me his name.

I proceeded into the woods by myself to assess the situation and to relay information to 911. I entered the woods just north of 327 Windmill Rd. As I walked in, I observed fire and debris and Ray Mudge and Ray Mudge Jr., who were standing approximately 50 yards in the woods, towards the east side of the crash site, near the rock wall, where it [REDACTED]

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<u>[REDACTED]</u> (NAME OF PERSON TAKING DEPOSITION)	Time Ended <u>05/03/2017</u> <u>11:42 PM</u>

NEW YORK STATE POLICE

State The Following:

appeared the plane first made contact with the trees. I asked them if they saw anybody and they both replied "No". I then continued past them and walked towards the main part of the fire, located approximately one hundred, west of Windmill Rd. At this time, the flames were scattered and debris was everywhere. I yelled out "Is anyone here?". I received a response of "The pilot is here" from a male voice. As I continued to walk towards the fire, I observed partial landing gear, several bags on the ground, and what appeared to be plane parts on fire and scattered everywhere. I saw checks and what appeared to be bank statements located all over the ground. I continued to walk towards the voice I heard and I asked if they needed help. The male replied "No, he is in the fire". I kept walking towards the center of the fire and observed a male, who I know to be Danny Watson, standing near the center of the fire and plane debris, located approximately one hundred yards, west of the Windmill Rd. I saw Danny looking into the fire and I asked him where the pilot was. He pointed in a northerly direction and I asked him if there was anyone else and he said "not that he was aware of". When he pointed, I saw what appeared to be a body that was leaning against a tree and it was on fire. The entire body was engulfed in heavy flames and I could not attempt any life saving measures.

I took my phone out and called my brother, Ben Johnson, who is a member of the Colton Fire Department. I knew that they were being called out to the scene and I wanted to advise him of a current location of the incident and number of casualties. I informed him there was one person dead and unknown others. He asked me for the exact location and I told him just past Chad Moore's residence. I hung up the phone and observed two males walking towards me, who were walking from the far western part of the crash scene, towards Windmill Rd. I observed the one male to be Chad Moore and the other adult white male was approximately mid to late 40's in age, wearing jeans and a flannel. They both walked towards me and stopped. Chad had a conversation with me and I asked him if they had seen anything further up and he said "Just debris that he could see". He said he did not go much further than when I saw him. I then heard a voice say "Don't touch it". I knew the voice to be Dale Mackintosh. Dale was dressed in his turnout gear and he is a member of the Colton Fire Department. Another voice followed, saying any non fire department personnel need to leave the scene. I knew this voice to be my brother, Ben Johnson. At this time, I directed people out of the scene, towards the fire trucks that were stationed at 327 Windmill Rd. I heard Danny Watson say to me "I am a law enforcement officer". I told him I know, but we have to clear the scene. At this time, I observed Danny's wife and son, approximately 22 years of age, standing next to Danny. The three of them turned and walked out of the woods towards 327 Windmill Rd. I stayed behind and briefed my brother Ben and Dale Mackintosh on location of the body and advised them to look further west on the crash site for any further victims. I then exited the woods and at approximately 9:10 p.m., I reached the driveway of 327 Windmill Rd.

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05/03/2017 11:42 PM

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INCIDENT LOCATION:STATE OF NEW YORK LOCAL CRIMINAL COURTCOUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN of COLTONLOCATION OF DEPOSITION:

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN of COLTON

On <u>05/03/2017</u> at <u>11:00 PM</u>	I, <u>CHAD A MOORE</u>		
Date of Birth <u>[REDACTED]</u>	No. and Street <u>[REDACTED]</u>	CITY <u>COLTON</u>	State <u>NY</u>

State The Following:

MY NAME IS CHAD A. MOORE I LIVE AT [REDACTED] IN THE TOWN OF COLTON NY. AT ABOUT 8:30 PM I WAS INSIDE MY HOUSE WHEN I HEARD WHAT I THOUGHT WAS A SONIC BOOM FOR A JET. MY WIFE ASKED WHAT THAT NOISE WAS. I WENT OUT SIDE TO SEE WHAT IT WAS I SAW THE WOODS BEHIND MY HOUSE ON FIRE. I WENT BACK IN AND TOLD MY WIFE TO CALL 911 I GOT DRESSED AND DROVE MY TRUCK DOWN TO THE SIDE OF THE ROAD WHERE THERE WAS ALREADY THREE VEHICLES. I GOT OUT OF MY VEHICLE AND WENT UP TO WHERE THE FIRE WAS AND I REALIZED IT WAS A PLANE THAT HAD CRASHED. THERE WAS ALREADY FOUR PEOPLE AT THE SITE WHEN I GOT THERE. I TURNED AROUND TO LEAVE THE SITE BUT I HEARD JOSH JOHNSON COMING TO THE SITE SO I STAYED AND WAITED FOR HIM. WE STARTED LOOKING FOR SURVIVORS IN THE WRECK AND IN THE SURROUNDING AREA. JOSH CALLED IN THAT THERE WAS A BODY AT THE SCENE AND THEN HE MADE EVERYONE THAT WAS THERE LEAVE. I WENT BACK TO THE ROAD AND SPOKE TO A FEW FIRE FIGHTERS. JACKIE JOHNSON TOOK MY INFORMATION AND SAID THAT IF THEY NEEDED ANYTHING SOMEONE WOULD CONTACTED ME. I WENT BACK TO MY HOUSE. [REDACTED]

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<u>[REDACTED]</u> (SIGNATURE OF DEPONENT)	<u>5-3-17</u> <u>[REDACTED]</u> #39
<u>[REDACTED]</u> (WITNESS)	
<u>[REDACTED]</u> (NAME OF PERSON TAKING DEPOSITION)	Time Ended <u>05/03/2017 11:22 PM</u>

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STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN of COLTONOn 05/03/2017 at 11:05 PM I, RAY I MUDGE

Date of Birth [REDACTED]	No. and Street [REDACTED]	CITY COLTON	State NY
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State The Following:

I Ray Mudge reside at [REDACTED] in the Town of Colton. At approximately 7:45pm I was sitting in the chair in the living room of my house and I heard a sound of a revving engine and I knew it sounded like an airplane, I then heard one hell of an explosion. I've heard electrical transformers explode and it sounded nothing like that. I grabbed my shoes and ran out the door with my father, Ray Mudge and my two boys, Ray and Jacob. I saw a large fire in the woods next to my neighbor's house, the whole area was glowing. We then ran right over to where the fire was, once we got over there I saw a bunch of blue, green and yellow bags. The one bag that was on fire had what looked like checks in it. I also saw pieces of a plane everywhere. I began looking for the body, it took us about three or four minutes before we found the body. The body was burning, just looked like char coal. After locating the body, I got my kids away from the wreckage. By that time the firemen where there and they told us to wait by the road so they can get our name, addresses and phone numbers. Miss Johnson then asked me for my information and then they told me to go home. Myself my boys and my father went home.

END OF STATEMENT

Ray I. Mudge

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Time Ended 05/03/2017 11:27 PM

(NAME OF PERSON TAKING DEPOSITION)

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INCIDENT LOCATION:STATE OF NEW YORK LOCAL CRIMINAL COURTCOUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN of COLTONLOCATION OF DEPOSITION:

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN of COLTON

On	Date 05/03/2017	at	Time Started 10:25 PM	I,	Full Name: DENISE G SCOVIL
Date of Birth	No. and Street	CITY	State		
		COLTON	NY		

State The Following:

MY NAME IS DENISE G. SCOVIL I LIVE AT [REDACTED] IN THE TOWN OF COLTON NY. AT AROUND 8:30 PM I HEARD WHAT SOUNDED LIKE A PLANE FLING OVER MY HOUSE. THE ENGINE OF THE PLANE SOUNDED LIKE IT WAS SPITTING AND SPUTTERING. THIS LASTED FOR ABOUT FIVE TO TEN SECONDS AND IT STOPPED. I COULD NO LONGER HEAR THE PLANES ENGINE. I HEARD A LOAD BANG AND RAN INTO MY LIVING ROOM TO SEE IF MY HUSBAND HAD HEARD IT ALSO. [REDACTED]

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05/03/2017 10:36 PM

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
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Defendant(s)

INCIDENT LOCATION:STATE OF NEW YORK LOCAL CRIMINAL COURTCOUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN of COLTONLOCATION OF DEPOSITION:

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCETOWN of COLTON

On	Date 05/04/2017	at	Time Started 06:17 AM	I,	Full Name: BRETT D WATSON
Date of Birth	No. and Street	CITY	State		
		COLTON	NY		

State The Following:

I am speaking with Trooper Dowdle of the New York State Police at [REDACTED] in the Town of Colton, County of St. Lawrence, State of New York, regarding an incident that occurred on 05/03/17 at approximately 8:30 p.m. and I state the following:

My name is Brett D. Watson and I witnessed the plane crash that occurred on the evening of 05/03/17. I was at my residence located at [REDACTED] in the Town of Colton, upstairs in my bedroom at approximately 8:30 p.m., when I heard an extremely loud plane engine winding down somewhere outside of my house. It did not sound like there was an engine failure or engine problems. The plane sounded like it was running right, but it was extremely loud. I looked out a second story dormer that is located on the east side of my house and I did not see anything. I then looked out the south window of my bedroom and I saw a grayish colored plane, probably a two or three seater, flying extremely low, almost scraping the tops of the trees. I saw the plane flying from east to west, somewhere between by house and Polniak's camp. The next thing I saw was the plane fly across Windmill Rd. and into the woods on the west side of the road. I saw a fireball and heard an explosion. I grabbed my phone and went outside to see if everyone was okay and my mom called 911.

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(WITNESS)
[REDACTED]
(NAME OF PERSON TAKING DEPOSITION)

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05/04/2017 06:40 AM

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INCIDENT LOCATION:

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY COURT

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCE

TOWN of COLTON

LOCATION OF DEPOSITION:

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCE

TOWN of COLTON

Date On 05/04/2017	at Time Started 06:16 AM	I, Full Name: DANIEL E WATSON
Date of Birth [REDACTED]	No. and Street [REDACTED]	CITY COLTON
		State NY

State The Following:

I am on the Windmill Road in the Town of Colton at the site of the plane crash giving Trooper Sarah E. Casey a voluntary deposition. On May 3, 2017 at approximately 8:30 P.M. I was in my residence when all of a sudden I heard a low whining noise that I could tell was an airplane. The noise didn't sound good and I could tell the plane was coming down. I then immediately heard a loud thud followed by a small gas explosion. My wife, Maureen W. Watson dialed 911. I walked up the road from my residence and went directly up into the woods where I could see the flames. I walked around the crash site looking for any bodies of anyone who could've been ejected and possibly have survived. I observed numerous bags all over the ground. I then observed who I assumed to have been the pilot lying on the ground, completely burnt beyond recognition. This was the only body I observed in the area. I showed the body to the fire department as they were arriving on scene at which time I exited the area.

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05/04/2017 06:28 AM

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SUPPORTING DEPOSITION (CPL § 100.20)

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DEFENDANT(S)

LOCATION OF INCIDENT:STATE OF NEW YORK Local Criminal COURTCOUNTY OF St. LawrenceTown OF Colton**LOCATION OF DEPOSITION:**

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF St. LawrenceTown OF ColtonOn DATE: 5/5/17at TIME STARTED: 10:56 AFULL NAME: Richard J. Hammill

state the following:

I am at my residence at [REDACTED] Colton, NY speaking with S/Inv. Theodore Levinson about a plane crash that happened Wednesday night on May 3rd. I was in my residence with Linda Shaver, and we heard the sound of a low flying airplane, flying directly over our house. It was at a low altitude, I would say maybe a couple hundred feet. This was at about 8:30 pm. The plane was coming from the northeast & flew straight over our house heading southwest. This was definitely not typical of any other aircraft we have seen fly over our house. Altitude wise and direction wise. We immediately went out to our front porch, which is oriented facing directly south. We observed the plane heading southwest, extremely low. A few seconds after the airplane flew over the house I heard 3 "Pops" coming from the plane. The pops were spaced out with the last two being closer together. ~~After the first two~~ After the pops, maybe //

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(WITNESS)

(NAME OF PERSON TAKING DEPOSITION)

TIME ENDED:

11:35 Am

SUPPORTING DEPOSITION CONTINUATION SHEET

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A few seconds, the plane changed course and began banking to the left. I observed the plane gradually lose altitude. I would describe the motion of the plane as an arc moving to the left. It was a gradual turn to the left that almost appeared graceful, as it descended. I didn't observe any kind of course correction with the plane, kind of like a ship listing. The plane fell below the horizon, and we could no longer see or hear it. I definitely knew something was wrong, so I jumped in my truck and headed towards Windmill Rd. I turned left and then saw the fire in the woods. I called 911 at 8:33pm and was advised someone else had already called. When I got to the crash scene the only person there was Dan Watson. I went up to the plane and noticed several small fires, and a larger fire where the main wreckage was. I observed one badly burned body in the main wreckage, but could not find anyone else. After I got there I saw MR Mudge show up to try to help too. I'm not sure of his first name. MR Mudge's son also showed up later. Rescue started showing up right after that. W/

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5/5/17
DATE

SIGNATURE



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Heidi Kemner
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region Aviation

May 25, 2017

Subject: ERA17FA172
Who: Trooper Theodore Levison - NYSP

In an email, Trooper Levison stated following:

- The pilot's family didn't know his exact sleep history, but they knew his sleeping patterns. He would typically fly his 6:30pm to 8:30pm route from Quebec City to Montreal. He would stay in Montreal and sleep until about 3:30am or 4:00am, then he would go back to the airport and fly back to Quebec City about 6:30am – 8:30am. He would hang out during the day, and usually take another cat nap before his 6:30 pm flight from Quebec City back to Montreal. They made it sound like this was a daily routing. It doesn't sound like he slept a lot, or had a normal sleep schedule. The family said he had been suffering from a sore back lately, and they identified some cold/flu medication in his medicine cabinet that resembles the pills that were found at the scene. The family said he was not suicidal.