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West Caldwell, New Jersey 07006

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Voluntary Statement of: MICHAEL S. MARTINO

DOB: _____

Home Address: _____ LARADELLE 105 08735

Statement Given at: _____ Officer: Off. Joy

Witness: _____ Date: 1/21/17 Time: 1320

Statement:

A GIRL CAME IN ACADEMY BASEBALL

OF A PLAN. CRASH = WE RESPONDED TO

ANGEL AT PHONE CRACK - FOUND MAN

OUT OF PHONE NEXT TO IT ON THE GROUND

PHIED MAN SATTING = WAITED

FIR. EMS AND FIRE DEPT

Printed Name of Writer

Signature of Writer

Date

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Voluntary Statement of: Michael A. Martine DOB: _____

Home Address: _____

Statement Given at: Roseland, NJ 07068 Officer: CP. J. 7

Witness: _____ Date: 1/21/17 Time 1320

Statement:

A young girl came into the Academy Baseball
& said a plane crashed. Myself and about 5/6
guys ran through the woods & saw the man on
the ground near burning plane. We proceeded
to pull him from the ground through the
woods to a park bench & layed him down
on the bench & waited for EMT & Fire
Dept.

Printed Name of Writer

Signature of Writer

Date

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Voluntary Statement of: SCOTT BAUMAN

DOB: _____

Home Address: _____ WEST ORANGE NJ 07052

Statement Given at: _____

Officer: 745

Witness: Off. [Signature]

Date: 1/21/17

Time 1533

Statement:

I HEARD THE AIRPLANE ENGINE LOUD DIRECTLY OVER
HEAD THE ACCIDENT SITE. THEN AN IMPACT SHORTLY AFTER THAT
I RAN THROUGH THE WOODS FROM 18 PASSAIC AVE TO SITE
OF CRASH. I WAS THE FIRST ONE ON THE SCENE. I FOUND
1 PERSON, A MALE, LAYING ON FIRE DIRECTLY OUTSIDE THE
REAR TAIL SECTION. THE PLANE WAS ENVELOPED WITH FLAMES
AT THIS POINT. THEN 3 OTHER GUYS SHOWED UP AND
WE PROCEEDED TO CARRY HIM AWAY FROM THE SITE.
WE LAYED HIM ON TOP OF A PICNIC TABLE IN A PARKING
LOT NEAR THE ACCIDENT. AT THIS POINT POLICE & FIRE
DEPTS. ARRIVED ON THE SCENE. THE WHOLE INCIDENT
LASTED 5 MINUTES UNTIL HELP ARRIVED

SCOTT BAUMAN

Printed Name of Writer

Signature of Writer

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Voluntary Statement of:

MARVIN LEVINE

DOB:

7/29/39

Home Address:

[REDACTED] NY, NY 10021

Statement Given at:

7 Patton Drive West Caldwell, NJ 07006

Officer:

PI. Huster

Witness:

PI. Steven Huster

Date:

11/21/17

Time 1345

Statement:

Watching CARON TAKE OFF - Turned toward

180° Normal IFR Departure

Started a left Descending controlled

(no spin) turn. then descended

below tree line. Black cloud

of smoke

Printed Name of Writer

Signature of Writer

Date



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Todd Gunther
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region

Date: January 21, 2017

Subject: Pilot and Witness Statements from West Caldwell Police Patrol Report
NTSB Accident Number: ERA17LA092

According to Sgt. Leonard F. Santiago:

- Mr. Cannavo was based out of White Plains New York and filed a flight plan. He had just had an annual inspection performed on the plane – he did not specify when or if any deficiencies or problems were found during said inspection. Cannavo further advised that prior to the crash he was flying at 800 feet when he lost control of the plane. He added that the engine did not shut off and that he was unable to contact the tower.

- Mr. Marvin Levine advised that he observed the plane takeoff from the Essex County Airport, He advised that he observed the plane make a left descending controlled turn and watched as it descended below the tree lines. He then saw smoke and followed it until he reached the rear of 7 Patton Drive.

- Mr. Anthony Graziosa, advised that he made a left turn onto Passaic Avenue from East Groen Brook Road. He added that he observed the plane take off and noticed that the plane was flying low as it made a left turn. He then noticed black smoke which he followed to the scene the scene.



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Todd Gunther
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region

Date: January 22, 2017
Subject: Pilot Statement from Essex Fells Police Incident Report
NTSB Accident Number: ERA17LA092

According to Detective Scott Cohen of the Essex Fells Police:

“MR. CANNAVO STATED THE AIRCRAFT (N979BA - 2012 HAWKER BEECHCRAFT G36) WAS OWNED BY HIM AND HAD JUST RECEIVED AN ANNUAL INSPECTION. HE STATED HE HAD ARRIVED FROM WESTCHESTER COUNTY AIRPORT (KHPN) ... EARLIER IN THE DAY AND HAD JUST DEPARTED ESSEX COUNTY AIRPORT (KCDW) TO RETURN TO KHPN VIA A FILED FLIGHT PLAN. HE ADVISED DURING HIS CLIMB-OUT AT APPROXIMATELY 800 FEET THE AIRCRAFT WOULD NO LONGER GAIN ALTITUDE "WOULDN'T PULL UP" AND BEGAN TO LOOSE ALTITUDE. HE STATED HE HAD NO WARNING LIGHTS OR AUDIBLE ALERTS AND THE ENGINE WAS RUNNING NORMALLY. HE ATTEMPTED TO ABORT TAKE OFF AND RETURN TO THE FIELD AND WAS NOT ABLE TO CONTACT CALDWELL TOWER FOR A MAYDAY CALL BEFORE CRASHING. MR. CANNAVO STATED HIS PILOT LICENSE AND ALL PAPERWORK WAS LOCATED INSIDE THE AIRCRAFT.”

RECORD OF ☒ VISIT ☐ CONFERENCE OR ☐ TELEPHONE CALL		TIME 11:00 AM	DATE 01/23/2017								
NAME (S) OF PERSON (S) CONTACTED OR IN CONFERENCE AND LOCATION C&W Aero Services Inc., Fairfield, NJ		ROUTING <table border="1"> <tr> <th>SYMBOL</th> <th>INITIALS</th> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		SYMBOL	INITIALS						
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Sean Nederfield											
Neil Nederfield											
SUBJECT N979BA Accident											
DIGEST On 1/23/2017 Inspector Wayne VanSteenburg and I went to C&W Aero Services to discuss the maintenance performed on N979BA prior to the accident. We spoke to the owners, Neil Nederfield, and Sean Nederfield. They provided us with work order number 30906. They stated that N979BA had arrived for an Annual inspection on December 13, 2016. They stated that they performed all pre-maintenance checks and run ups and identified an issue with the magneto check which was later repaired as noted in the work order. They stated that the inspection was normal and uneventful and nothing major was done to the aircraft. C&W did identify a crack near the right hand flap actuator mount and replaced the right hand flap assembly. They stated that on 1/21/17, the day prior to the owner picking up the aircraft, they performed runs on the aircraft, because it was sitting for a couple of weeks, and wanted to make sure everything was good with the aircraft. They noticed fuel leaking from the left wing drain and replaced the o-ring. They stated the the run ups were good and nothing abnormal noted.											
CONCLUSION ACTION TAKEN OR REQUIRED											
DATE 1/23/17	TITLE Inspector	SIGNATURE Christopher Larenta									



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Todd Gunther
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region

Date: January 24, 2017
Subject: Information from Inspector Wayne Van Steenburg (FAA)
NTSB Accident Number: ERA17LA092

According to Inspector Van Steenburg,

The pilot took off from runway 2L and made a left turn. The wing then dropped during the turn, and the airplane impacted the ground nose first after hitting the roof of a factory.

The propeller looked like it was turning and looked bent back from the impact.

The airplane was 'pristine', had about 251 hours of total operating time, and had gotten an annual inspection at C&W Aero Services prior to the flight.