

Record of Telephone Conversation

Name: L. Clayton Bruggess, owner of Seneca III N294AB
Address: Lafayette, LA
Phone: [REDACTED] (cell); [REDACTED] (office)
Date: 7/10/2018, 14:00 CDT
Description: Ownership of N294AB and accident on 7/7/18

Mr. Burgess stated to me on the telephone that he is an attorney and practices general law to include employment and civil rights, injury, and whatever might come up. He bought the airplane a few years ago, 2 -3 years, to use with his family. His daughter plays competitive tennis and he wanted to be able to travel easily to her tournaments. He also has a vacation property in Gulf Shores, AL that he goes to.

Mr. Burgess stated that he has a very limited knowledge of aviation and aviation rules. He did not want to misspeak during the conversation and reiterated numerous times that he was not sure if he was using the correct terminology to describe any events related to the use of the airplane.

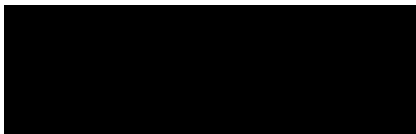
Mr. Burgess stated that he "leases the airplane to a company owned by Raja," called Acadian Flight Academy. Mr. Burgess gets use of the airplane for his own purposes for a fixed rate per hour plus the fuel. He stated that "they take care of the maintenance." He stated that "essentially the lease says you are in control of everything." Mr. Burgess does not pay for a hangar, maintenance, annual inspections, insurance – all of that was turned over to Raja. He did pay for annual inspection before but not this year, he has not gotten a bill.

He does not know much about Raja's business and thinks that he owns the flight school. Mr. Burgess has never taken flying lessons. He heard from Raja that someone might be interested in buying the airplane but he never received a formal offer.

He does not know the pilot that was flying the airplane on 7/7/2018 when it crashed. Mr. Burgess may have met him once but he would not recognize him if he saw him. He thinks maybe that pilot wanted to buy the plane but he never offered any money. Whenever Mr. Burgess uses the airplane, Raja flies him.

Recently Raja approached him about using the airplane for a charter company. Raja told Mr. Burgess that the engines would need to be overhauled before they could go forward with certification.

Mr. Burgess was willing to forward me a copy of his lease with Raja for the airplane. I received a copy via email on 7/11/2018.



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