



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

FAA Inspector Statement

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Date: 04/06/2020
Person Contacted: Michael Minner
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Federal Aviation Administration Inspector / Tampa FSDO
NTSB Accident Number: ERA20LA103

Narrative:

The following is a summary of a conversation that occurred over the telephone with Michael Minner:

Inspector Minner stated he was called to Page Field Airport (FMY), Fort Myer, FL to investigate an airplane accident involving a PA-28 N8320H. He arrived FMY to find the airplane in a hangar with the left gear collapsed, the right main gear twisted, and the left wing substantially damaged. It was explained to him that the airplane had landed on runway 31 at FMY and upon touchdown the airplane pulled to the right and began skidding until the left main gear collapsed, the airplane continued to skid on the left-wing tip until the airplane stopped on the runway. He was assisted by a local mechanic who explained the right main gear torque link bolt had sheared off causing the gear to rotate about 190°. This caused the airplane to skid to the right, which overloaded the left main gear causing it to collapse. The airplane continued skidding on the nose wheel, right main gear, and left-wing tip until it stopped.