

State Highway Patrol
VOLUNTARY STATEMENT



☒ Driver Statement ☐ Witness Statement

Date of Collision/Incident: 12/28/2019

Time of Collision/Incident: 6:40 ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

Name: RYAN KAUFMAN

DOB: 6/4/72

Address: [REDACTED] City: MARIETTA State: GA Zip: 30064 Phone Numbers:

Speed Prior to the Collision/Incident: MPH DL#

Begin statement here to include events that occurred before, during, and after the collision/incident:

DURING TAKEOFF, AT A FEW HUNDRED FEET OFF, I HAD
LOSS OF OIL PRESSURE, RESULTING IN LOSS OF POWER,
LOSS OF AIRSPEED, REQUIRING EMERGENCY OFF AIRPORT
LANDING.

NOTE: I hereby certify that the information provided by me in this statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts as known to me.

Signature: [REDACTED]

Date: 12/28/2019



Record the Location of Occupant Information Based on the Diagram of the Vehicle

Pos. No.	Name	Sex	Race	Age	Child Seat	Injury
1		Male	White		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ No Injury
2	DL# _____ Front - middle KAMRIN E. KAUFMAN	Male	White		☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Child Seat	☐ No Injury
3	DL# _____ Front - right CLAIRE A. KAUFMAN	Male	White		☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Child Seat	☐ No Injury
4	DL# _____ Second seat - left BROOKS M. KAUFMAN	Male	White		☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Child Seat	☐ No Injury
5	DL# _____ Second seat - middle	Female	White		☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Child Seat	☐ No Injury
6	DL# _____ Second seat - right	Female	White		☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Child Seat	☐ No Injury
7	DL# _____ Third row - left	Male	White		☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Child Seat	☐ No Injury
8	DL# _____ Third row - middle	Female	White		☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Child Seat	☐ No Injury
9	DL# _____ Third row - right	Male	White		☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Child Seat	☐ No Injury

STATE HIGHWAY PATROL VEHICLE TOWING AUTHORIZATION

I, _____ of _____
Name of Person who gives consent Street Address

City, State, Zip Home Phone/Business Phone/Cell Phone

with _____ registration plate number _____
State Year and Make of Vehicle

Check appropriate block:

- ☐ I hereby consent to have this vehicle (towed) (removed) and stored by: _____
- ☐ I hereby consent to have this vehicle moved to the shoulder of the road by the undersigned law enforcement officer and left at this location.

Signature of Owner/Possessor

Date

Trooper M. S. Owens
Trooper Name and Registry Number

Date

Sequence #

State Highway Patrol

VOLUNTARY STATEMENT

☐ Driver Statement ☒ Witness Statement

Date of Collision/Incident: 12/28/19

Time of Collision/Incident: ☐ A.M. ☐ P.M.

Name: Lindsay Kauffman DOB: 3/4/81

Address: [REDACTED] City: Marietta State: GA Zip: 30064 Phone Numbers:

(Home) () (Work) () (Cell) ()

Initial Traveling Speed Prior to the Collision/Incident: MPH DL#

Begin statement here to include events that occurred before, during, and after the collision/incident:

We had just taken off and were climbing.
I heard my husband saying "emergency"
on his head set repeatedly. Then my husband
told us to duck our heads and then
we crashed. My husband screamed for us
to get out. The door was hard to open
so I kicked it out and we all jumped
out and ran.

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Signature: [REDACTED]

Date: 12/28/19



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Pos. No.	Name	Street Address	Sex	Race	Yes	No	No Injury
1			Male	White Black Amer. Indian Hispanic Asian Other	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Injury
2	DL# _____		Male	White Black Amer. Indian Hispanic Asian Other	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Injury
3	DL# _____		Female	White Black Amer. Indian Hispanic Asian Other	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Injury
4	DL# _____		Male	White Black Amer. Indian Hispanic Asian Other	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Injury
5	DL# _____		Female	White Black Amer. Indian Hispanic Asian Other	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ No Injury
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Todd Gunther
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region

Date: January 3, 2020
Subject: Information Provided by Jacob Voris
NTSB Case Number: ERA20LA062

On December 28, 2019, Mr. Voris traveling westbound towards Brevard, North Carolina. As he approached the fairgrounds, he observed an airplane flying low to the ground. It appeared to him to be "shimmying".

When he was less than 100 yards away, he next saw it hit a fence, then a power box, and then saw black smoke.

He drove to the parking lot at the fairgrounds, and it was already in flames.



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Todd Gunther
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region

Date: January 3, 2020
Subject: Information Provided by Sophie Voris
NTSB Case Number: ERA20LA062

On December 28, 2019, Ms. Voris was passenger in a vehicle being driven westbound towards Brevard, North Carolina by Mr. Jacob Voris.

According to Ms. Voris, As they approached the fairgrounds, she saw an airplane flying low to the ground with its left wing pointed down and told Mr. Voris; "That airplane is way too low".

She next saw smoke coming up from behind a building and told Mr. Voris, "That airplane's crashed".

They then pulled into the parking lot and their passenger (Jacey Voris) called 911. They could see the front and the back of the airplane and observed that the airplane had struck and knocked down a fence, and some powerlines.



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Todd Gunther
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region

Date: January 3, 2020
Subject: Information Provided by Jacey Voris
NTSB Case Number: ERA20LA062

On December 28, 2019, Ms. Jacey Voris was a passenger in the back seat of a vehicle being driven westbound towards Brevard, North Carolina by her brother Mr. Jacob Voris.

According to Ms. Jacey Voris, she did not see the airplane crash but when she saw the smoke, she observed that the airplane was completely on fire.



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Todd Gunther
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region

Date: January 3, 2020
Subject: Information Provided by Stephanie Robertson
NTSB Case Number: ERA20LA062

According to Ms. Robertson, she was leaving work, and when she approached the airport, she could see an airplane climbing and then turning to the left. She then noticed that the airplane was “really” turning left, and one wing was down. The airplane then began to really go down and the airplane was in a sharp turn.

When it was turning, it did not look right to her, and it kept descending. She kept yelling pull up, pull up, pull up.

She thought that the airplane might be trying to circle back to the airport. The airplane kept descending and she heard the airplane hit. She then pulled into the Ag Center at the fairgrounds, and she saw that the airplane was on fire.



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Todd Gunther
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region

Date: January 2, 2020
Person Contacted: Ryan M. Kauffman (Pilot)
NTSB Accident Number: ERA20LA062

According to Mr. Kauffman, He had departed from Cobb County International Airport earlier in the day with his wife and three children onboard and flew to Asheville Regional Airport.

He had 86 gallons of fuel on board when he left Cobb County. When he went to depart Asheville for the return flight, he did a runup and everything was normal. During taxi he was following a CRJ, and tower advised him of wake turbulence.

During the takeoff he rotated a little early at 75 knots to avoid the wake turbulence from the CRJ. He climbed at V_x then the airplane started to feel "sluggish." He checked that the mixture, propeller, and throttle controls were all full forward and nosed the airplane forward.

He felt further power loss. He advised that he is a "big reader," and believed he had enough altitude to try the "impossible turn." The airplane felt like it was mushing though, and he saw a parking lot. He glanced over and thought that the oil pressure gauge was in the "yellow," and the engine felt like it was "rolling back."

He yelled to his kids to "Put your heads down!" He kept the landing gear in the up position and extended the wing flaps and aimed between light poles. The right wing hit something, and the airplane stopped. His wife kicked open the door on the right side. When he exited his wife and the children were already out of the airplane.