



MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

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Date: 10/31/2022
Subject: ERA23LA003, FAA Pilot Interview Summary
Contact: Richard Hudgins, Inspector FAA, Birmingham FSDO

Inspector Hudgins was contacted by phone on October 31, 2022 about 1000 EDT. When asked about his interview with the pilot he stated the following:

- The pilot stated it was simple pilot error.

Furthermore, in Inspector Hudgins' Accident Report, he stated the following:

Per eyewitnesses, n5065q performed a normal takeoff. Once airborne for several seconds, the aircraft went into the trees adjacent to the north side of the runway before it had gained enough altitude to clear the treetops. The pilot stated it was simple pilot error, and he had been applying left rudder/brake pedal causing the turn to the left. The pilot suffered a broken leg/ankle and the passenger suffered minor injuries. both were evacuated to hospital for treatment.