

Ashley Collier

Date: 12/11/2023

CFI# [REDACTED]

Total time: 1700 hours

Total time in Gyroplanes: 200 hours

I watched the pilot taxi the gyroplane to 18, where he performed a run-up, which all sounded normal. He then made his radio call and departed the runway. His takeoff was standard, after pre-rotating he added full power and soon after lifted off. He flew down the runway momentarily and pulled up to climb at full power, then lost control of the aircraft appearing to bunt over due to unloading the rotor blades, and proceeded to roll inverted into the ground at a sideways nose low pitch attitude with the engine running at what sounded like full power.