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Subject: Verbal Statement to the FAA from a Passenger

Contact: Inspector Lawrence, FAA/FSDO Farmingdale

Inspector Lawrence emailed a statement that was provided to him verbally from a passenger onboard N88SP. The following is the statement provided in the email to the IIC.

"Ella Bloom's verbal statement: Ms. Bloom was in the aft left seat behind the PIC. She stated that Mr. Brian Daly was in the right aft seat and Alana Liem was in the copilot seat. Ms. Bloom is a private pilot and flies Piper Cherokees. She stated that on his first approach Mr. Liam was high and fast and not lined up with the runway. She stated Mr. Liam performed a go-around and then reentered the pattern by making a left turn. Mr. Liam was flying low over the water at about 450 feet. She said she felt very uncomfortable and that something was not right. She also felt the PIC was overwhelmed. She stated that she told the PIC to climb. His second attempt was similar situation as the first; they were high and fast. The PIC refused to go around. Ms. Bloom saw the 1000 foot marker go under the plane while there was still not on the ground. He touched down long and slammed on the brakes. She claimed that Alana Liem told him to go around. He refused and proceeded to put the airplane into a skid, subsequently sliding off the runway. Mrs. Bloom felt the PIC seemed pressured to land and was overwhelmed. She also stated that Alana Liem was advising Mr. Liam, the PIC, to slow down, that he was going too fast. The PIC refused to listen to either suggestion."

Inspector Lawrence added in the email that "Alana Liem, Ella Bloom and Brian Daley statements were similar and corroborated Ms. Bloom's statement."