



RECORD OF PHONE CONVERSATION

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Date: May 12, 2021
Person Contacted: Lee A. Scheffers (Pilot)
NTSB Accident Number: WPR21LA188

Narrative:

The following is a synopsis of the information provided by Mr. Scheffers in a telephone conversation.

On May 8, 2021 at about 11:30 am local time, he and his spouse depart from Riverside Municipal Airport (KRAL), Riverside, California in N55PW, a Cessna 182Q. His spouse was seated in the left seat and performing duties at the pilot in command (PIC). They proceeded to the San Bernardino International Airport (KSBD), San Bernardino, California and conducted three take off and landings. They discussed if he wanted to land the airplane from the right seat. He then assumed duties as the PIC with the intent to conduct take off and landings while seated in the right seat. This was going to be his first time landing an airplane from the right seat. During the landing flare, the airplane landed hard and ballooned. He intended to perform a go-around and mistakenly pushed forward on the flight controls with his right hand while applying power with his left hand. The airplane landed hard on the nose landing gear and separated. The propeller impacted the runway surface and airplane came to rest on the right side of the runway 6 without further incident.

According to the pilot there were no preimpact mechanical failures or malfunctions with the airframe or engine that would have precluded normal operation.