



Aviation Investigation Factual Report

Location: Fairmont, Oklahoma

Date & Time: March 2, 2017, 14:50 Local

Aircraft: Aero Commander S2R

Defining Event: Low altitude operation/event

Flight Conducted Under: Part 137: Agricultural

Accident Number: CEN17CA120

Registration: N1755S

Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Injuries: 1 Serious

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	69,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Single
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	3-point
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 2 Waiver time limited special	Last FAA Medical Exam:	February 13, 2017
Occupational Pilot:	Yes	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	April 15, 2016
Flight Time:	17036 hours (Total, all aircraft), 9406 hours (Total, this make and model), 16949 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 30 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 5 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 0 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Aero Commander	Registration:	N1755S
Model/Series:	S2R UNDESIGNAT	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:	1968	Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Restricted (Special)	Serial Number:	1455R
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	1
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	February 2, 2017 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	6000 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	8123 Hrs as of last inspection	Engine Manufacturer:	Pratt and Whitney
ELT:	Not installed	Engine Model/Series:	R1340-53H1-G
Registered Owner:	CARSON FLYING SERVICE INC	Rated Power:	600 Horsepower
Operator:	CARSON FLYING SERVICE INC	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	Agricultural aircraft (137)

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KWDG,1167 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	4 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	14:53 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	327°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	5 knots / None	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	220°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30.4 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	18°C / -8°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	Breckenridge, OK (PRI)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	Breckenridge, OK (PRI)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	14:40 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Serious	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	On-ground
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 Serious	Latitude, Longitude:	36.324722,-97.753051(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Folkerts, Michael
Additional Participating Persons:	Michael Hilton; Flight Standards District Office; Oklahoma City, OK
Report Date:	April 19, 2017
Last Revision Date:	
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>
Note:	This accident report documents the factual circumstances of this accident as described to the NTSB.
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=94825

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