

Communication Summary

March 08, 2018

Information from: Mr. Bridger Petrini



Summary & Factual Information: Mr. Petrini was asked for his recollections of his conversation with the pilot before the pilot was loaded on the rescue helicopter. He, in part, stated that he was there with the pilot before the paramedics showed up on scene. After a while he asked the pilot what had happened. Had the engine failed? The pilot replied and said, “It was all his fault and that he flew in to terrain”. He repeatedly said several times after that “I should be the one dead! This is all my fault.” He told the pilot not to worry, that is wasn’t his fault, and he was sure he hadn’t meant to. The pilot would just reply again saying basically the same thing, that it was all his fault and he shouldn’t have survived.

I can attest that the above summary is correct to the best of my knowledge:

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