

MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

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Date: September 17, 2017 FAA Robert McCauley (ASI)

NTSB Accident Number: ERA17FA327

Narrative:

Arrived on scene and discussed the accident with Bradley FSDO Air Safety Inspector (ASI), Robert McCauley who reported that there were three witnesses who heard the airplane, but there were no direct eyewitness to the accident.

Mr. Andrew Jackson stated he heard the airplane engine cutting in and out.

Mr. Nick Buden stated he heard the airplane "sputter" a few times.

Ms. Carrie Carignan lived in the nearby development stated that she heard the crash and it sounded like gravel being dumped out of dump truck. Her fiancé Mr. Jeff Mulready, discovered the wreckage about an hour after the accident; they called 911.

Another witness (unnamed) heard a "thud" in the woods around 1:00 pm local time.

The FAA ASI stated that no logbooks or airplane logbooks were located. Discussed the owners private hanger and office at Gabreski (airport) and if there were other locations to consider. The airport manager was contacted.

Discussed Mr. Cliff Perkins, who was partners with the pilot/owner on another airplane, a Grumman Yankee. Mr. Perkins stated that the pilot/owner had two (2) airplanes, a Baron that he usually flew and the Mooney. The Baron was down for maintenance. Mr. Perkins stated that he thought the pilot/owner kept the airplane records in a milk crate.

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