



MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

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Date: September 20, 2017
Person Contacted: Jonathan Vece (J.J.)
NTSB Accident Number: ERA17FA327

Narrative:

Discussed Mr. Vece's role with Mr. Christopher. He stated he was on his race crew as a tires and spotter member.

Mentioned that Mr. Christopher stated to him that he's been flying with the pilot/owner for ten years and could probably fly the airplane because Pat (pilot/owner) has been teaching him in case there was ever an emergency.

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Date: September 18, 2017
Person Contacted: Jerry Servidio
NTSB Accident Number: ERA17FA327

Narrative:

Discussed Mr. Servidio's role with Mr. Christopher. He stated he was a sponsor and over the past five years they became friends.

Mentioned that Mr. Christopher has been flying with the pilot/owner for a long time; as long as I've become friends with him. He had heard that Mr. Christopher flew with his race suit on and goes directly from the airport to the track.

Flying was a regular part of his commute from his home airport to the racetrack.

He was expecting to see him at 2:00 pm the day of the accident but thought that maybe weather delayed him.

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Date: September 18, 2017
Person Contacted: Cliff Perkins
NTSB Accident Number: ERA17FA327

Narrative:

Discussed Mr. Perkins role with the pilot/owner (Pat Dundas). He stated he was part owner of a Grumman Yankee with Pat. He did not personally know the passenger, Mr. Christopher.

Mentioned that Pat flew Mr. Christopher, but Pat pretty much kept to himself and didn't talk about issues or personal details.

Mr. Perkins stated most of the time, Pat flew Mr. Christopher in his Beechcraft Baron and not the Mooney. The Baron was down for maintenance. He was unsure why it was down. He thinks it might have been a magneto or ignition, but could not be sure. He was unsure of any known mechanical issues with the Mooney.

He stated that Pat was a retired Eastern Airlines pilot and was also an Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic. He was "always working on his airplanes." and appeared to be very meticulous.

He mentioned he would keep an eye open for any logbooks we were seeking and would let us know if he found them or had additional information for us.

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