



## MEMORANDUM OF RECORD

**Eric Alleyne**  
**Air Safety Investigator**  
**National Transportation Safety Board**  
**Office of Aviation Safety - Eastern**  
**Region**

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**NTSB Case Number: ERA20CA214**

**Telephone correspondence: Travis**  
**Costello (FAA inspector)**

**date: 6/15/2020**

**Subject: Accident findings**

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In an telephone correspondence with inspector Travis Costello he said when he arrived on scene, he noted that the airplane took off from a grass strip. He saw the tire tracks of the airplane in the grass leading towards the tree line. Examination of the airplane revealed that the right wing, left wing and fuselage was buckled. Various areas on the skin of the airplane was also torn. Damage was also noted on the lower wing surface. He said that the pilot reported he had no mechanical anomalies with the airplane. He said that the pilot got behind the airplane and drifted towards the tree line on takeoff. The wing contacted a tree branch and the pilot lost control of the airplane and collided into a line of trees.