

RECORD OF CONVERSATIONS

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Date: January 20, 2017

Person Contacted: Ms. Natalie Elias (Friend) NTSB Accident Number: WPR17FA055

Narrative:

The following is a synopsis of the information provided by Ms. Elias in a telephone conversation on this date:

- Ms. Elias was a friend of the pilot; she had known him about 3 years
- The pilot was a strong advocate for and passionate about aviation
- Ms. Elias was not a pilot, but did fly with him at least once
- She lives in the LA Basin
- They met when the pilot also lived in the LA Basin, and kept in touch after the pilot moved away
- He would contact her to get together when he was in the LA Basin
- The pilot texted her at 1848 on January 11th asking to get together
- She was unable, and didn't speak with him that evening
- She texted him the following day, and then telephoned, but she never heard from the pilot
- She had no specific knowledge of the pilot's whereabouts or plans on the day prior to or the day of the accident
- Ms. Elias said that the pilot was "always" at both Whiteman and Santa Monica airports
- She said his best friend was Mr. Greg LeSage, who lived in Boston, and recommended that the NTSB contact him
- She also thought the pilot had a girlfriend named "Denise" but didn't have a last name or contact info