

## Folkerts Michael

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**From:** Folkerts Michael  
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**To:** Folkerts Michael  
**Subject:** Student pilot statement

Mr. Perez: Inspector Cotton asked me to reach out to you concerning the incident at Arcola Airport on 7/14/20.

A friend bought a gift certificate for me to take a one hour ride in a taildrager from Texas Taildraggers. I arrived at the airport on that date at about 9:30 AM and met Joyce who was to be the one I went up with. She spent time going over pre-flight and flight controls before we went up. We did the normal checklist before startup and before flight. She controlled the plane during takeoff. Once we had cleared the field she let me fly, and we did some turns and then returned to the pattern. We did a normal pattern and made a couple of low passes down the runway. We came back around to do a landing and upon touching down, I started to drift off center line, and I over corrected to the left, and then to the right. I believe that happened one more time to the left and back to the right where we ended up on the North side of the runway close to the ditch. The plane skidded sideways and that broke off a wheel on the right side of the aircraft. It happened so fast that I just didn't think to let go of the controls and give the plane back to Joyce. If you wish to speak to me I am including my phone number.

As I explained to Inspector Cotton I have a student certificate, but it has been many years since I logged time in conventional aircraft and have not seen my log book in years.

Yours truly,

Howard Segal