

**Witness Group Factual Report**

# **APPENDIX I**

**Witness Questionnaires**

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## NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

2001 Route 46, Suite 504  
Parsippany, New Jersey 07054  
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November 21, 2001

Dear Sir or Madam,

The National Transportation Safety Board is investigating an accident that occurred on November 12, 2001, involving American Airlines flight 587, that crashed in Belle Harbor, New York. You have been identified as an eyewitness or a potential eyewitness.

On behalf of the Safety Board, I would like to request your assistance by asking if you would please take the time to provide a written statement of your observations. A hand written statement on a separate sheet of paper is fine; it does not have to be typed. I have enclosed a self addressed stamped envelope for your convenience in returning your statement to me.

In your statement please indicate your location and what you observed and/or heard. If applicable please discuss the following:

1. The direction the airplane was traveling (up/down-right/left?)
2. Did you observe any parts separating or falling from the airplane? If so, are you able to describe the parts?
3. Did you observe any smoke or fire coming from the airplane? If so, where was it coming from and was it present the entire time you observed the airplane?
4. How long did you observe the airplane?
5. If you lost sight of the airplane, what was your final view of the airplane?

Additionally, I would appreciate if you can provide me with a telephone number and the best time to call you in the event I need to contact you in the future.

Thank you for your time and cooperation. Your help is greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact me at 973-334-6561, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Luke Schiada  
Air Safety Investigator



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