

## HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SHERIFF

# GENERAL OFFENSE HARDCOPY LAW ENFORCEMENT

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## **Narrative Text**

Type INTERVIEW-WITNESS
Subject OBERTING SHAUNA RENEE
Author 258206 - Thornsberry, Justin

Related Date Nov-02-2019 13:35

Shauna Renee Oberting relayed the following:

Her neighbor, David bought a single seat helicopter about six months ago. Usually on the weekends, he will fly or just practice taking off on her property located behind his house. Today, (11/02/2019) he took off and flew around behind her house. She watched him land hard and began bouncing around. The helicopter continued to bounce causing it to flip and crash.

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## **Narrative Text**

Type INTERVIEW-OTHER
Subject SIMPSON CHARLES D
Author 257657 - Toops, Alexandra

Related Date Nov-02-2019 14:00

I spoke with Charles Simpson and he relayed the following:

He was flying his helicopter as he usually does in his backyard. He was trying to land and he came down too fast. The rotor blade is not far from the tail and it flexed down, which cause him to crash. He thinks the rotor hit the tail. He was about 4-5 feet in the air before he landed. He had been flying for about 15 minutes around the property. He flew a ways out and then decided to come back.

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Subject SIMPSON SANDRA WOOD
Author 257657 - Toops, Alexandra

**Related Date** Nov-02-2019 14:00

I spoke with Sandra Simpson and she relayed the following:

She saw her husband pre-flight with the blades and then saw him take off in the helicopter. Her husband generally takes a couple laps around the pasture and then lands. He is usually about 10-12 feet in the air, which how high he was today. She saw him go about 20-25 feet in the air and then she did not hear him anymore. She assumed he crashed when he went in the pasture.

Her husband told her that he flew the helicopter to the dump behind their house, which he had never done before. He usually just takes off and stays low to the ground and then lands. He told her that the when he tried to land the tail hit the ground and the entire thing crashed, there was nothing he could do.

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