

Mr. Martin Flores (New Owner statement)

I send you through this channel what I request and a broader narrative of what we talk through a translator today in the morning:

As an investment I decided to buy a pair of old and very cheap planes in order to repair them and make a profit on their resale. I met the weslaco texas cristopher de leon mechanic, who is a certified aircraft mechanic and has his repair and maintenance hangars at the texas weslaco regional airport. DE LEÓN AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE PROFESSIONAL: Address: [REDACTED]

Telephone: [REDACTED], I explained my intention to invest in cheap airplanes to repair and resell them, and he accessed and got me a couple of planes, which he made the deals, in some cases lowering the purchase price and he came to repair the planes as the case of 2 of them. a cessna 320d that was purchased at RIDGE AIR in the city of jacksonville, tx <https://www.ridgeaire.com/inventory.php?id=202>, this plane made it very cheap, went to repair and make the annual to gilmer, tx, where the plane was located, repaired it and hired a pilot to fly it from that city to its hangar in weslaco, tx. . said plane is in its facilities waiting for me to sell it, later it finds a cessna 421 plane with registration N731PF, (the one of the accident) published in ebay in auction, he contacts the previous owner JAMES CARTER, and business buys, Mr. He lives in Tennessee and the plane was in Deland, Fl. a small airport. the purchase is agreed in 35 thousand dollars, but the owner asks that in order to get the auction plane he needed to be transferred to his account the 35 thousand dollars, I transfer the money to cristopher de leon for liquidation and the owner removed from the ebay publication the plane and sent me through the email of cristopher de leon the contract to sign it and return it (it was resent in another e-mail), the plane was out of the annual as mentioned in the publication in ebay so it was necessary to do its annual review and repair some things that he detected and that he informed me so that his operation was optimal. I transferred the 5 thousand dollars that he asked me to buy some spare parts and for his payment, previously I had already transferred and paid the annual revision and the expenses of transfer from Weslaco to deland, fl. Mr. James Carter unsubscribes the plane and notifies the FAA that the plane sold it to me and mailed me the forms for me to register the plane under my name, (I send the forms in another e-mail) On September 5, I sent the documents by dhl to the INTERNATIONAL AIRCRAFT title and escrow company so that they could do the process of registering the aircraft, (in that company JENNIFER BAKER attends to me, I will send in another e-mail what I asked her for registration), and just today I received the registration card of the plane, the purchase of the plane was made on June 21 and 24, 2019 respectively, that is, my bank transfer to cristopher de leon I make it on 21 and for crossing the weekend until 24 of the same month, the mechanic goes until August 6 to Deland Fl. to repair the plane, make his annual service and leave it operable, evidence of this sent all the talks about it. where he informs me in which situation the plane was, what had to repair its cost, etc. and I transfer money for all this. Once you finish your job at Deland, tx. The search for a pilot to transport the plane from that city to Weslaco, TX begins. but according to the conversations, the pilot who was ready was bad and in the end he found an instructor who would be the one who would make the flight scheduled for October 2. I don't know the name of the instructor, I just know that his contact at the airport of deland tx., is a person named ERNEDRO.

I inform him that he is the only one who has had contact with both the person to whom I bought the plane and the contact at the airport, because of my inability to communicate by language, which is why he directly supported me both in the search of the airplanes, as in their repairs and making the deal with

the owners, which I found very comfortable and only invest in them and once finished proceed to resale. until there things went well, on Sunday, September 29, a federal homeland security agent called me serving as a man named Pablo who did the favor of the agent to translate, I was informed of the accident and that if I had knowledge that He had crashed and if he knew where the plane was. I informed him that I had no knowledge of it, that I also had not authorized anyone that the plane moved and that he did not know who or who had taken it, telling him a summary of what I said here and making myself available in case I needed more information about it, providing him with the mechanic's phone to be interrogated about this. I also spoke with the mechanic and commented that he also did not give any permission to move and he is the only one who could have done this, since I do not know or have contact with anyone at the airport in Florida, go or with the previous owner already that the deal was made directly by the mechanic. the documentation of the plane, logbooks, etc. They have.

the delay in transporting the plane from deland to weslaco was due to the fact that the registration under my name was not yet there and that there was no pilot to take it from deland to weslaco, since a pilot had gone bad. and therefore could not buy insurance when they did not have both, besides that the plane was not going to fly until both things including the insurance were ready and we had set out for it the first week of October. in fact the date on which the first pilot who had hired would fly the plane between September 10 and 20, so request a provisional registration to be ready and only waiting for the name and license of the pilot to buy the insurance, but It was not possible because I canceled it.

I have talked to Cristopher de Leon a couple of times after I heard about the accident and asked him what happened and who gave him permission to use the plane and I haven't had many answers, he just says he didn't give permission, I've also He asked me about the names of the people in Deland that he had contact with and I didn't have answers either. He only refers to a person named ERNENDRO, who was his contact, in fact when Hurricane Dorina was in Florida, I asked him if he could get the plane into a hangar and he told me he would talk to get it.

I do not know any of the people who via telephone mentioned me today in the morning, I reiterate that I did not make the purchase deal, nor have I ever gone to Deland, nor do I know anyone including the previous owner, all the treatment He made and helped me in the purchase, repair and transfer of the plane that would finally be done in the first week of October for which I paid \$ 4,500 dollars for that concept.

My only interest in this has been to try to earn a few dollars to buy cheap airplanes and resell them, but unfortunately that did not happen anymore and now after I finish your investigation I will thank you very much for sharing the result to know how I will proceed and against who for the recovery of the plane.

I appreciate your help and I am fully available to assist in the investigation, as I told the federal agent.

note. In the end I put 2 screenshots of what I have written since Sunday with the mechanic, it has been too sparing to answer me. On Sunday I talked to the telephone after talking with the agent about the accident and asked him several times if he had given permission to fly and he said no.

Any other information you need or any other question feel free to let me know, since I am the most interested in knowing what happened.

Sorry for writing in Spanish.

Below I did an English translation on Google, I hope the translator does a good job.

My words and my language are in Spanish in case the translator changes any wrong word