

MEMORANDUM OF RECORD

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Pilot: David Dollarhide

Place: Green Cove Springs, FL Interview Date: 6/8/2019 Subject: Accident event

correspondence

In a telephone conversation with the pilot Mr. Dollarhide he said the purpose of the flight was to check the accuracy of his airspeed indicator. After departure he checked his airspeed indicator with the pilot of N319RL and everything checked out fine. The pilot of N203DD, said that they decided to engage in a maneuver they often perform called a "tail chase". After a few minutes of maneuvering and one visual lead change to N319RL both airplanes were on a southerly heading. The pilot of N203DD called off the "tail chase" and made a left gradual left turn. The pilot of N203DD made a few banked heading changes to the northeast before settling on an easterly heading in a gradual decent.

The pilot of N203DD stated that he suddenly saw N319RL pass under his airplane just before the collision. He said that they were so close he could see the pilot of N319RL, seconds before the collision. After the collision the pilot of N203DD looked back and could see N319RL falling to the ground. He said that after the collision "he knew his propeller was out of balance because the airplane began to vibrate violently." He knew he could not make it back to the airport so he conducted a forced landing in a cow pasture.