

## **RECORD OF CONVERSATION**

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Date: 5/24/2022 Person Contacted: Dennis Harrington NTSB Accident Number: CEN22LA108

## Narrative:

Spoke with Mr. Harrington, who was the pilot of N6916D, that was involved in an accident on January 14, 2022. When asked to describe what had happened he stated that the flight was to retrieve a musical instrument that he had left earlier to be repaired. This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> leg of a multiple leg flight and it started from KADS in VFR conditions. He was intending to fly to Stamford, TX, but as he approached his Foreflight brought up an area of "unspecified meterological conditions", which he had not seen before and because of this decided to divert to Lamesa, TX. After he diverted he made changes to notes on his kneeboard to reflect the airport description at Lamesa, but he thinks he forgot to change the pattern altitude. He said this was about the time he changed his VFR flight plan with FSS to reflect the new destination and he believes this distracted him from noting the different altitude. He said it was very dark but the lights he could see enabled him to make out the horizon. He started descending toward Lamesa, and then the lights of the city disappeared from his view and as he was wondering why, the airplane struck the ground. When asked if there were any mechanical problems with the airplane, he said there were not and he "just flew it into the ground".

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