

RECORD OF SUMMARY

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Record of Summary for 'Officer Report for Incident 190717-21'

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NTSB Accident Number: WPR19TA193

The Mesquite Police Department of Mesquite, Nevada, sent me a copy of the 'Officer Report for Incident 190717-21,' for the accident that took place on July 17, 2019, involving the accident airplane, N320JT. The report described the pilot's condition shortly after the accident as having a smell of alcohol, slurred and slowed speech, and his eyes were red and glassy. The pilot was also unable to stand straight up without swaying. The pilot was asked if he had had any alcoholic beverages and he replied, "I don't drink and fly." After further questions, the pilot stated that after he had realized he had survived the accident he stated, "I took a pull on a jug of vodka." After the pilot refused the standard field sobriety test, the pilot was placed under arrest. After being transferred to a hospital, the pilot refused a blood draw for the police and the hospital. An affidavit for a search warrant to draw the pilot's blood was completed and signed. The pilot's blood was drawn about 2 hours after the accident. He was then discharged from the hospital and was transported to the Mesquite Detention Center and charged with 'Operating an Aircraft Under the Influence of an Alcoholic Liquor.'



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