

Dan Baker Senior Air Safety Investigator AS-WPR

Date: August 22, 2023

Subject: WPR22FA312, Neighbor Interview

Contact: Dale Martin,

Mr. Martin's residence was about .3 miles west of the accident site. He stated he and his girlfriend and a child were in the yard on the east side of the house on the day of the accident. They observed the airplane fly over the trees near the house and he said it was low enough that it clipped the trees as it flew over. He further stated that he heard it hit the branches. The airplane continued eastbound and descended to about 5 ft above the ground before pulling up (like a chandelle maneuver). He said he was not concerned because he had seen the pilot fly over the neighbor's house on previous occasions.

Mr. Martin provided a cell phone video that showed the final moments of the accident flight.



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Contact:	Julianne Oland, Daughter

Mrs. Oland is the daughter of the pilot and passenger of N184DJ, who were fatally injured when the airplane they were flying crashed near her home on August 21, 2022. Mrs. Oland was a witness to the accident.

Mrs. Oland said it was not uncommon for her father to fly over their home at a low altitude and perform maneuvers. He or her mother would often text her to see if she was home, and often there would be a flyover of the Mrs. Oland's house following those texts. Mrs. Oland would often take her children outside to watch her dad fly over. She said her father would usually make right hand turns when he made multiple passes over the house.

Mrs. Oland received a text from her mom earlier the day of the accident. She was inside the home when her parents first flew over the house. She went outside and watched the airplane pass over the house at what she thought it was maybe 100 feet or so above the trees and then watch the airplane perform a roll maneuver, (barrel roll) that he had performed before. She immediately thought the maneuver was done at a lower altitude than normal. The airplane descended below trees, and she heard the impact. Mrs. Oland stated she did not hear anything abnormal with the engine prior to impact.

Mrs Oland said her father had been sick and went to the hospital about a month before the accident. He had fluid between his lungs and the lining (pleurisy) that caused him to be short of breath. It was drained and he felt much better afterwards. She said her father was very detail oriented and took immaculate care of his airplane. She also said he was a former motorcycle rider and liked to take calculated risks. She thought that her father had buzzed other houses prior to the accident and they "had a little loop" that they did.



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Contact: Mark Oland

Mr. Oland is the son-in-law of the pilot and passenger of N184DJ, who were fatally injured when the airplane they were flying crashed near his home on August 21, 2022. Mr. Oland witnessed the accident.

Mr. Oland and said the airplane made a low pass over the house followed by a second pass in which his mother-in-law waved from the airplane. The airplane flew out to the west and then came back about 100 feet over the trees and house before spiraling up, which he later clarified as a barrel roll. He said the wings were not level as the airplane came out of the maneuver but was mostly flat over the trees right before impact. He described the engine running loud and nothing sounded alarming. Mr. Oland said that something did not look right at the start of the maneuver, that the airplane was too low and that the maneuver was "really snappy looking", not smooth like before.