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NAME (S) OF PERSON (S) CONTACTED OR IN CONFERENCE AND LOCATION Instructor Jessica Robinson, Inspectors Will Gossley, Robert Frederick, Jerry Wells, and Robert Hall		ROUTING SYMBOL      INITIALS	
SUBJECT N210JB Accident on 11/20/2021			
DIGEST I interviewed Instructor Robinson on 11/29/2021 in regards to an aircraft (N210JB) accident on 11/20/2021 at Lancaster Airport Lancaster, PA. The meeting occurred over Zoom conference call with Inspectors Will Gossley, Robert Frederick, Jerry Wells, and Robert Hall. Ms. Robinson confirmed receipt of the Pilot's Bill of Rights and Privacy Act Statement. Instructor Robinson stated that she is in improving health and was released from the hospital on 11/23/2021. Instructor Robinson stated the student had already flown with another instructor, Mr. Darren Lucas. Instructor Robinson arrived between 0900-0930 for the flight in question. She stated the student/owner had conducted the preflight inspection and that she conducted a quick walk around and a short briefing. She took the student out and accomplished hover work, pattern work, only noted small instructional issues but student did Ok. At the end of the lesson, Mr. Granet was hovering while awaiting clearance to fly back to parking, Instructor Robinson thought that Mr. Granet was to fly back to parking, so she made a radio call to Lancaster tower. While making the radio call, Instructor Robinson was looking to the left at runway 26 to ensure it was clear.			
CONCLUSION, ACTION TAKEN, OR REQUIRED Positive transfer of controls did not occur. Instructor Robinson expected Mr. Granet to continue flying. The aircraft was not under physical control at the time it pitched up. Instructor Robinson attempted to regain control, but was too late.			
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Instructor Robinson then noticed the nose attitude increased/pitch up. She said she pushed forward on the cyclic with ineffective response and then pulled collective. The aircraft twisted hard right and hit the ground.

After the accident, Instructor Robinson said she checked on the condition of Mr. Granet. Shortly after, Grant the firefighter arrived. Instructor Robinson shut off batts and mags. She remained in the aircraft, and was pulled out, put in stretcher, went to hospital. She remembers all details.

This was her first lesson with Mr. Granet, who was looking for a private add on. Mr. Granet had flown 5-10 hours with Darren Lucas.

Jessica has 50 hours in Bell 47. Recent time 1.5-20 with Darren over two flights 10 days prior in preparation for training flight.

Mr. Granet had done the pattern work, he was flying well according to Robinson (Granet said Instructor Robinson was flying).

Positive transfer of controls procedures were said to have been accomplished on prior transfers; however, instructor Robinson said that Mr. Granet did not transfer the controls. She thought he was flying the aircraft back to parking.

In a previous interview with Mr. Granet, Mr. Granet said he was hands off the controls and that Instructor Robinson was to fly the aircraft back to parking. When asked about this, Instructor Robinson said that it seems likely that Mr. Granet was not on the controls and the controls had not been transferred to her.

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NAME (S) OF PERSON (S) CONTACTED OR IN CONFERENCE AND LOCATION Michael Granet, Inspector Will Gossley, Inspector Bob Frederick, Inspector Jerry Wells		ROUTING	
		SYMBOL	INITIALS
SUBJECT N210JB Accident on 11/20/2021			
DIGEST I contacted Mr. Granet to discuss the helicopter accident which occurred on 11/20/2021. Mr. Granet bought the aircraft a month ago and was referred to Mr. Darren Lucas for training by Sharon Connors of United Aviation (insurance company). On the day in question, Mr. Granet met Instructor Robinson at 10 AM. They removed the aircraft from the hanger and about 1030 after Mr. Granet started the aircraft, Instructor Robinson hovered to area 17 (at KLNS) to start training. Mr. Granet was on the controls for approximately one hour practicing hovering maneuvers and traffic pattern work. Mr. Granet said the training was hard and he was tired when it was time to head back in. Mr. Granet transferred the controls to Instructor Robinson via "positive transfer of controls" for transitioning across the field as "was their custom." Instructor Robinson was hovering for approximately one minute and then was cleared to cross the field by ATC. Mr. Granet stated the nose came up, the tail hit the ground, the aircraft yawed right, rolled onto the left skid and the main rotor blades contacted the ground. After the accident, Mr. Granet got out and then assisted Instructor Robinson on getting out of the aircraft. He was transported to the hospital for observation and was released on the same day.			
CONCLUSION, ACTION TAKEN, OR REQUIRED Mr. Granet was not flying the aircraft at the time of the accident.			
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Mr. Granet said that he had some lacerations and a broken sternum. He noted that Instructor Robinson reportedly had a broken leg and a head injury.

Mr. Granet was asked about prior Bell 47 experience. Mr. Granet owned a previous Bell 47 which he crashed in June of this year.

Mr. Granet noted no issues were found during preflight, the aircraft was operating normal "quite well" actually.