



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: ATLANTA, Texas Accident Number: FTW86LPA16

Date & Time: March 22, 1986, 10:30 Local Registration: N6009G

Aircraft: CESSNA 188 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

Defining Event: 1 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Ferry

Analysis

THE PILOT LOST DIRECTIONAL CONTROL OF THE AIRCRAFT DURING THE LANDING ROLL. IT THEN DEPARTED THE RUNWAY AND RAN INTO A DRAINAGE DITCH WHICH COLLAPSED THE MAIN LANDING GEAR.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF CONTROL - ON GROUND/WATER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

1. (C) DIRECTIONAL CONTROL - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND

2. (C) GROUND LOOP/SWERVE - UNCONTROLLED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER ENCOUNTER WITH TERRAIN/WATER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

3. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - DITCH

Occurrence #3: MAIN GEAR COLLAPSED Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

4. LANDING GEAR, MAIN GEAR - OVERLOAD

5. LANDING GEAR, MAIN GEAR - FAILURE, TOTAL

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Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	58,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Front
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	Helicopter	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	Airplane single-engine	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	January 2, 1986
Occupational Pilot:	Yes	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:			

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N6009G
Model/Series:	188 188	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Restricted (Special)	Serial Number:	18801168T
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	1
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	Unknown	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	4000 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:		Engine Model/Series:	10-520
Registered Owner:	RICH MOUNTAIN AVIATION INC.	Rated Power:	300 Horsepower
Operator:	LEWIS SPENCER PASSMORE	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	TXK ,389 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	28 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	10:00 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	15°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Visibility	20 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	10 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	220°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	11°C / -6°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	DARDANELL , AK	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	ATLANTA , TX (ATA)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	00:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

Airport Information

Airport:	ATLANTA MUNICIPAL ATA	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	272 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	3200 ft / 50 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Traffic pattern

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	33.109802,-94.159965(est)

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Wickham, B

Additional Participating
Persons:

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Investigation Class: Class
Note:

Investigation Docket: https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=22102

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