



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: GLENDALE, Arizona Accident Number: LAX85LA044

Date & Time: November 18, 1984, 10:02 Local Registration: N4845E

Aircraft: CESSNA 185F Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** 2 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

#### **Analysis**

THE ACFT WENT TO THE LEFT OF THE DESIRED TRACK FOR TAKEOFF AND THE PLT SAID THAT IN THE ATTEMPT TO REGAIN DIRECTIONAL CONTROL BY MEANS OF THROTTLE MANIPULATION AND BRAKE APPLICATION (THE PLT IN LATER INSPECTION OF RWY AND BRAKES REPORTED RUBBER MARKS ON THE RWY SURFACE AND 'THE LEFT BRAKE WAS BLUE' PITCH CONTROL WAS LOST. THE ACFTS TAIL CONTINUED TO RISE UNTIL THE ACFT NOSED OVER ON THE RWY. THE PLT REPORTED IN THE 6120.1 REPORT THAT THE ACCIDENT WAS NOT RELATED TO A MECH FAILURE/MALFUNCTION. THE PLTS REPORTED TOTAL TIME IN THIS TYPE OF ACFT IS 33 HRS OF WHICH 2 WERE FLOWN IN THE LAST 30 DAYS. THE PLT ALSO REPORTED A SLIGHT X-WIND FROM THE LEFT AND A 'P' FACTOR INCREASE AS THE TAIL OF THE ACFT BEGAN TO RISE DURING TAKEOFF ACCELERATION.

#### **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: TAKEOFF - ROLL/RUN

Findings

1. (C) PROPER ALIGNMENT - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND

- 2. (C) ELEVATOR IMPROPER USE OF PILOT IN COMMAND
- 3. (C) BRAKES(NORMAL) IMPROPER USE OF PILOT IN COMMAND
- 4. (C) LACK OF FAMILIARITY WITH AIRCRAFT PILOT IN COMMAND
- 5. (C) LACK OF TOTAL EXPERIENCE IN KIND OF AIRCRAFT PILOT IN COMMAND
- 6. (C) INADEQUATE TRANSITION/UPGRADE TRAINING PILOT IN COMMAND
- 7. (C) THROTTLE/POWER CONTROL IMPROPER USE OF PILOT IN COMMAND

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Occurrence #2: NOSE OVER

Phase of Operation: TAKEOFF - ROLL/RUN

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## **Factual Information**

#### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Airline transport; Flight instructor	Age:	40,Female
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Multi-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	Yes
Instructor Rating(s):	Airplane multi-engine; Airplane single-engine; Instrument airplane	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 1 Valid Medicalno waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	December 15, 1983
Occupational Pilot:	Yes	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	3950 hours (Total, all aircraft), 33 hours (Total, this make and model), 3660 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 84 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 20 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

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### **Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information**

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N4845E
Model/Series:	185F 185F	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	18503887
Landing Gear Type:	Tailwheel	Seats:	4
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	December 15, 1983 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	3350 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	51 Hrs	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	285 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	IO-520-D
Registered Owner:	MARLEY CATTLE CO.	Rated Power:	300 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

### Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:		Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:		Direction from Accident Site:	
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Clear	Visibility	50 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	/ 6 knots	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	90°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	24°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipit	ation	
Departure Point:	GLENDALE , AZ (P37)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	09:35 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

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### **Airport Information**

Airport:	GLENDALE MUNI P37	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	1137 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Dry
Runway Used:	17	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	2400 ft / 50 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	None

### Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	33.57048,-112.249282(est)

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Pollack, Wayne	
Additional Participating Persons:	JULIAN RICHARD; SCOTTSDALE , AZ	
Original Publish Date:		
Last Revision Date:		
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>	
Note:		
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=24593	

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