

# National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Final Report

Location: ATLANTA, GA Accident Number: ATL82FKG12

Date & Time: 04/25/1982, 1033 EDT Registration: N6823C

Aircraft: CESSNA 421C Aircraft Damage: Destroyed

**Defining Event:** 2 Serious, 1 Minor

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation - Business

### **Analysis**

DURING ARRIVAL, THE PILOT WAS CLEARED FOR AN ILS APPROACH TO RUNWAY 20L. THE PILOT STATED THAT THE APPROACH WAS NORMAL IN MODERATE TO HEAVY RAIN AND HE BROKE OUT AT ABOUT 800 FT AGL. HE CROSSED THE END OF THE RUNWAY WITH FULL FLAPS, WAS HIGH, AND TOUCHED DOWN NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF RUNWAY 20L AND RUNWAY 27. THIS INTERSECTION WAS ABOUT 3100 FT BEYOND THE APPROACH END OF RUNWAY 20L. AFTER TOUCHDOWN, THE AIRCRAFT CONTINUED OFF THE END OF THE RUNWAY, WENT OVER AN EMBANKMENT AND CAME TO REST ABOUT 50 FT BEYOND THE RUNWAY IN SOFT MUD. DURING THE INVESTIGATION WHITE TIRE MARKS WERE FOUND NEAR THE END OF THE RUNWAY. THESE MARKS RESEMBLED THOSE MADE BY HYDROPLANING ACTION. THE PILOT STATED HE HAD TROUBLE SEEING THE RUNWAY AND THAT WINDSHIELD WIPERS WOULD HAVE BEEN HELPFUL.

## **Probable Cause and Findings**

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

#### **Findings**

Occurrence #1: OVERRUN

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

#### **Findings**

- 1. (F) WEATHER CONDITION LOW CEILING
- 2. (F) WEATHER CONDITION RAIN
- 3. (C) DISTANCE MISJUDGED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 4. (F) VISUAL/AURAL DETECTION PILOT IN COMMAND
- 5. (C) AIRSPEED MISJUDGED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 6. (C) GO-AROUND NOT PERFORMED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 7. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION WET
- 8. (F) AIRCRAFT PERFORMANCE, HYDROPLANING CONDITION WATER

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Occurrence #2: COMPLETE GEAR COLLAPSED

Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

#### **Findings**

- 9. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION DOWNHILL
- 10. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION WET
- 11. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION SOFT
- 12. (F) LANDING GEAR OVERLOAD

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# **Factual Information**

#### **Pilot Information**

| Certificate:              | Private  | Age:                              | 51, Male   |
|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Airplane Rating(s):       | Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land  | Seat Occupied:                    | Unknown    |
| Other Aircraft Rating(s): |  | Restraint Used:                   |            |
| Instrument Rating(s):     | Airplane   | Second Pilot Present:             | No         |
| Instructor Rating(s):     | None   | Toxicology Performed:             |            |
| Medical Certification:    | Class 3 Valid Medicalw/waivers/lim.  | Last FAA Medical Exam:            | 01/30/1981 |
| Occupational Pilot:       |  | Last Flight Review or Equivalent: |            |
| Flight Time:              | 2197 hours (Total, all aircraft), 1406 hours (Total, this make and model), 2148 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 45 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft) |                                   |            |

### Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

| 7 till Grant and Gwiler, Gp   |                        |                                |                 |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Aircraft Make:                | CESSNA                 | Registration:                  | N6823C          |
| Model/Series:                 | 421C 421C              | Aircraft Category:             | Airplane        |
| Year of Manufacture:          |                        | Amateur Built:                 | No              |
| Airworthiness Certificate:    |                        | Serial Number:                 | 0475            |
| Landing Gear Type:            | Retractable - Tricycle | Seats:                         | 8               |
| Date/Type of Last Inspection: | Unknown                | Certified Max Gross Wt.:       | 2800 lbs        |
| Time Since Last Inspection:   | 73 Hours               | Engines:                       | 2 Reciprocating |
| Airframe Total Time:          | 2058 Hours             | Engine Manufacturer:           | CONTINENTAL     |
| ELT:                          | Installed              | Engine Model/Series:           | GTSIO-520L      |
| Registered Owner:             | JOANNE LECRAW          | Rated Power:                   | 435 hp          |
| Operator:                     | JOANNE LECRAW          | Operating Certificate(s) Held: |                 |
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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

| Conditions at Accident Site:     | Instrument Conditions | Condition of Light:                  | Day              |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Observation Facility, Elevation: | , 0 ft msl            | Distance from Accident Site:         | 0 Nautical Miles |
| Observation Time:                | 0000                  | Direction from Accident Site:        | 0°               |
| Lowest Cloud Condition:          | Unknown / 0 ft agl    | Visibility                           | 2 Miles          |
| Lowest Ceiling:                  | Broken / 800 ft agl   | Visibility (RVR):                    | 0 ft             |
| Wind Speed/Gusts:                | 8 knots /             | Turbulence Type<br>Forecast/Actual:  | /                |
| Wind Direction:                  | 90°                   | Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual: | /                |
| Altimeter Setting:               |                       | Temperature/Dew Point:               | 55°C / 0°C       |
| Precipitation and Obscuration:   |                       |                                      |                  |
| Departure Point:                 | BRUNSWICK, GA         | Type of Flight Plan Filed:           | IFR              |
| Destination:                     | ATLANTA, GA           | Type of Clearance:                   | Special VFR      |
| Departure Time:                  | 0800                  | Type of Airspace:                    |                  |
|                                  |                       |                                      |                  |

## **Airport Information**

| Airport:             | DEKALB-PEACHTREE (PDK) | Runway Surface Type:      | Concrete |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|----------|
| Airport Elevation:   | 0 ft                   | Runway Surface Condition: | Wet      |
| Runway Used:         | 0                      | IFR Approach:             | ILS      |
| Runway Length/Width: | 5000 ft / 100 ft       | VFR Approach/Landing:     |          |

# Wreckage and Impact Information

| Crew Injuries:      | 1 Serious          | Aircraft Damage:     | Destroyed |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Passenger Injuries: | 1 Serious, 1 Minor | Aircraft Fire:       | None      |
| Ground Injuries:    | N/A                | Aircraft Explosion:  | None      |
| Total Injuries:     | 2 Serious, 1 Minor | Latitude, Longitude: |           |

# Administrative Information

| Investigator In Charge (IIC):     | Report   | t Date: | 04/25/1983 |
|-----------------------------------|--|---------|------------|
| Additional Participating Persons: |  |         |            |
| Publish Date:                     |  |         |            |
| Investigation Docket:             | NTSB accident and incident dockets serve as permanent archival information for the NTSB's investigations. Dockets released prior to June 1, 2009 are publicly available from the NTSB's Record Management Division at <a href="mailto:publinq@ntsb.gov">publinq@ntsb.gov</a> , or at 800-877-6799. Dockets released after this date are available at <a href="http://dms.ntsb.gov/pubdms/">http://dms.ntsb.gov/pubdms/</a> . |         |            |

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