



# National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

<b>Location:</b>	SKWENTNA, AK	<b>Accident Number:</b>	ANC85LA051
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	03/02/1985, 1200 AST	<b>Registration:</b>	N7889H
<b>Aircraft:</b>	PIPER PA-12	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Defining Event:</b>		<b>Injuries:</b>	1 None
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b> Part 91: General Aviation - Personal			

## Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Private	<b>Age:</b>	35, Male
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Single-engine Land; Single-engine Sea	<b>Seat Occupied:</b>	Left
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Restraint Used:</b>	Seatbelt, Shoulder harness
<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Second Pilot Present:</b>	No
<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Toxicology Performed:</b>	No
<b>Medical Certification:</b>	Class 3 Valid Medical--no waivers/lim.	<b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>	05/01/1984
<b>Occupational Pilot:</b>		<b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b>	
<b>Flight Time:</b>	1051 hours (Total, all aircraft), 732 hours (Total, this make and model), 958 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 37 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 15 hours (Last 30 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	PIPER	Registration:	N7889H
Model/Series:	PA-12 PA-12	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	No
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	12793
Landing Gear Type:	Ski	Seats:	2
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	05/22/1984, Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	1685 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	108 Hours	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	2150 Hours	Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Installed, activated, did not aid in locating accident	Engine Model/Series:	O-320-E2A
Registered Owner:	GREGORY F. PEPPERD	Rated Power:	100 hp
Operator:	GREGORY F. PEPPERD	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual 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:	Scattered / 6000 ft agl	Visibility	90 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	5 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	330°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	-12°C / -17°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	WASILLA, AK (Z16)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	0900 AST	Type of Airspace:	Class G

## Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	

## Administrative Information

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Investigator In Charge (IIC): JAMES MICHELANGELO

**Additional Participating Persons:**

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