LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

REPORT FORM

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of species on the Louisiana Bird Records Committee (LBRC) Review List. The LBRC recommends the use of this form or a similar format when submitting records for review to assure that all pertinent information is accounted for. Attach additional pages or files as necessary. Please print or type for hard copy. For electronic copy, be sure to save this file to your computer before entering text. Attach field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed (if hard copy), mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216, or e-mail electronic copy as an attachment to Paul Edward Conover at <zoiseaux@lusfiber.net>.

- 1. English and Scientific names: Brown-crested Flycatcher (*Myiarchus tyrannulus*)
- 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 2

3. Parish: Plaquemines

Specific Locality: Scarsdale Rd.

4. Date(s) when observed: 22 Dec. 2017

5. Time(s) of day when observed: ca.13:00

- 6. Reporting observer and address: Van Remsen
- 7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Matt Brady (who first spotted both individuals)
- 8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s):
- 9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): good
- 10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): 10X50 binos
- 11. Distance to bird(s): As close as 50 feet but mostly100-200 ft.
- 12. Duration of observation: Off and on for 30 mins or so, but probably not more than a minute or two of actual observation
- 13. Habitat: Disturbed second-growth bottomland woods; lots of hackberry and Chinese tallow
- 14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Very wary. Perched mainly high in canopy and seldom allowing clear view. One or perhaps both birds initially came in to BCFL playback, but showed interest only briefly and not subsequently. Both birds seen together briefly.

- 15. Description (include only what was actually seen, *not what "should" have been seen;* include if possible: total length/relative size compared to other familiar species; body bulk, shape, proportions; bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species, *or for species that are known to hybridize frequently, stress features that help eliminate possible hybrids*): Obvious *Myiarchus* that differed from Ash-throated in having larger bill and in tail pattern (dark brown of outer web of outer rectrices did not extend across tail tip). Seemed bigger-crested also.
- 16. Voice: Heard call ca. 3 times, but generally silent. An abrupt, flat "prip!" that I told Matt immediately was BCFL call.
- 17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): By general color, clearly one of the paler, yellow-bellied *Myiarchus*, e.g. BCFL-ATFL-NUFL etc., but tail pattern eliminates ATFL and voice eliminates ATFL and NUFL.
- 18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Yes
- 19. Previous experience with this species: Moderate (LA, AZ, CA, Bolivia)
- 20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):
- a. at time of observation: none
- b. after observation: none
- 21. This description is written from:

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	the observation.	attached?	
	notes made after the	At what	
	observation.	date?	
	memory		
	study of images		

- 22. Are you positive of your identification? YES. If not, explain:
- 23. Date: 17 Jan. 2017

Time:

24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or portions of this report on its website? YES

If yes, may we include your name with the report? YES









