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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

**CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT**

# Agency Information

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| CDR Number: | 17-635-PF | Version Type: | ORIGINAL VERSION |
| Report Date: | 12/1/2017 4:40 PM | Status: | Submitted |

## Agency/Facility Information

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| Agency Name: | Dallas County Sheriff's Dept. | Agency Address: | 133 N. Riverfront Blvd. |
| Agency City: | Dallas | Agency State: | TX |
| Agency Zip: | 75207 | | |

## Director Information

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| Director Salutation: | Sheriff | Director First Name: | lupe |
| Director Middle Name: | | | |
| Director Last Name: | valdez | | |
| Reporter Name: | TERESA HERNANDEZ | Reporter Email: | tahernandez@dallascounty.org |

# Decedent Information

### Identity of Deceased

First Name: Janara

Middle Name: Leighton

Last Name: Wright

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 9/9/1988 Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 29

### Date/Time of Custody (arrest, incarceration) (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 8/21/2016 7:04 PM

### Date/Time of Death (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Death Date and Time: 11/29/2017 11:29 AM

## Manner / Cause of Death

### Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?: Yes, results are available

### What was the manner of death? (select only one)

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| Manner of Death: | Pending autopsy results |

### Medical Cause of Death:

| Medical Cause of Death: |
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| Pending Autopsy Results |

### Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

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| Medical Treatment: | Yes |

### If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

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| Who caused the death?: | Not applicable |

### If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

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| Type of weapon that caused death?: | Not Applicable |

### Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the decedent develop the condition after admission?

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| Pre existing medical condition?: | Pre-existing medical condition |

### If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

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| Means of Death: | Not applicable, cause of death was illness/natural cause |

## Location / Custody Information

## Where did the event causing the death occur?

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| Street Address: | 5200 Harry Hines Boulevard | City: | Dallas |
| County: | Dallas | Zip: | 75235 |

## What location category best describes where the event causing the death occurred?

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Private Medical Facility/Hospital

## What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody: Private Facility

## Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Hospital/Infirmary

## What was the time and date of the deceased's entry into the law enforcement facility where the death occurred (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Entry Date Time:

Entry Date Time N/A: ☑

## Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Medical facility

# General Information

## Did any other law enforcement agencies respond to calls for service related to this incident?

Other Agencies Respond?: No

## What were the most serious offense(s) with which the deceased was (or would have been) charged with at the time of death?

Offense 1:

P/V Man Del CS PG 1>=4G<200G

Offense 2:

P/V Robbery

Offense 3:

Unlawful Poss of Firearm by Felon

Were the Charges:: Filed

## What were the types of charges or reason for contact? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of Offense: Violent Crime Against Persons; Alcohol / drug offense

## At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent display or use a weapon?

Decedent display/use of weapons: No

## At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Attempt to Injure Others?: No

### At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

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| Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): | No | Make suicidal statements?: | No |
| Exhibit any mental health problems?: | Yes | Exhibit any medical problems?: | Yes |

### At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

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| Barricade self or initiate standoff?: | No | Resist being handcuffed or arrested?: | No |
| Physically attempt/assault officer(s): | No | Gain possession of officer's weapon: | No |
| Verbally threaten other(s) including law: | No | Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody: | No |
| Attempt gain possession officer's weapon: | No | | |

### Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

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| Under Restraint: | No |

## Summary of Incident

### Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

On August 21st 2016, Inmate Janara Leighton Wright B/M 09/09/1988 was arrested and placed in the Dallas County Jail / Gill-Hernandez Medical Facility. Dallas County Jail records indicate that Wright was transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital on several occasions, throughout his stay at the Dallas County Jail for his medical condition (dialysis). On November 27, 2017, at approximately 8:15 a.m., Parkland Jail Health - NP S. Ahmad evaluated Wright and determined that he needed to be transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital for further medical treatment. Wright was transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital located at 5200 Harry Hines Boulevard, Dallas, TX 75235 by Acadian Ambulance #878. On November 29, 2017, Detention Service Officer A. Luqman #6809 was guarding the inmate in Room 12-409. At approximately 9:20 a.m., DSO Luqman noticed medical equipment beeping and notified Physician Care Assistant Tiffany Tennyson. At approximately 9:30 a.m., PCA Tennyson responded to the room and activated code blue. Dr. K. Chen and additional medical staff arrived to assist. Dr. Chen determined that Inmate Wright needed to be transported to Intensive Care Unit Room 5-632. Inmate Wright's restraints (leg irons) were removed by DSO Luqman per Dr. Chen's request. At approximately 11:00 a.m., medical staff activated code blue, a second time. At approximately 11:29 a.m., Inmate Wright was pronounced deceased by Dr. A. Pena. On November 30, 2017, the Dallas County Medical Examiner's Office performed an autopsy under IFS #17-21438 and the results are pending at this time.

Investigation Agencies:
Dallas County Sheriff's Department - service #17-126133
Dallas County Medical Examiner's Office - IFS #17-21438