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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	18-1366-UF	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	1/11/2019 4:20 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Garland Police Dept.	Agency Address:	1891 Forest Lane
Agency City:	Garland	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75042		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Mitchel
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Bates		
Reporter Name:	John Orozco	Reporter Email:	orozco@garlandtx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Gereald

Middle Name: Leemandika

Last Name: Dawson

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 4/28/1984

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 34

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 12/30/2018 1:31 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 12/30/2018 2:21 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)

Manner of Death: Accidental

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Blunt force injuries to head, neck and trunk. Crashed vehicle after fleeing the scene of an assault on a peace officer. Was not incapacitated by Conducted Energy Devices prior to fleeing in vehicle.

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

Medical Treatment: Yes

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

Who caused the death?: Decedent

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

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?

Pre existing medical condition?: Not Applicable; cause of death was accidental injury, intoxication, suicide or homicide

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

Means of Death: Vehicle accident

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	9200 Skillman Street	City:	Dallas
County:	Dallas	Zip:	75243

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Grassy Median

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

Type of Custody: Pre-Custodial Use of Force

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel during/fleeing arrest

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?: Yes

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:

Assault on a Peace Officer

Offense 2:

Evading Arrest or Detention with Vehicle

Offense 3:

Parole Violation Warrant-Aggravated Assault w/weapon

Were the Charges:: A probation/parole violation

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

Type of Offense: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

Original stopped for Traffic, found to have parole warrant, assaulted officer, fled and crashed.

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?: Yes (select all that apply)

Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	Injured law enforcement personnel

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

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

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

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

Under Restraint:	No

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

The decedent was originally stopped for a traffic violation and was found to have an outstanding Parole Violation Warrant for Aggravated Assault with a Weapon. When the officers attempted to take him into custody, he started pulling away, struck an officer and was able to jump back into his vehicle. Both officers deployed their Conducted Energy Devices but the decedent was able to drive away. The decedent drove in excess of 100 MPH, lost control of his vehicle and was involved in a single vehicle roll-over crash. The decedent died as the result of blunt force injuries of the head, neck and trunk.