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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	20-537-CJ	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	6/15/2020 4:49 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Menard County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	PO BOX 307
Agency City:	Menard	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	76859		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	buck
Director Middle Name:	b		
Director Last Name:	miller		
Reporter Name:	buck miller	Reporter Email:	menardcountyso@yahoo.com

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: MICHAEL

Middle Name: ROBERT

Last Name: KOZLETSKY

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/25/1977 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 42

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 5/14/2020 9:03 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 5/16/2020 7:19 PM

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 pending

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

Manner of Death: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

PENDING INVESTIGATION-PRELIMINARY FINDINGS NOTED AT TIME OF AUTOPSY
Ligature furrow
Left thyroid fracture
Left periorbital ecchymosis
Abrasions of the extremities

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

Medical Treatment:	No

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:	Hanging, strangulation

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	208 Tipton Street	City:	Menard
County:	Menard	Zip:	76859

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

Location Category:	Law Enforcement Facility

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

Type of Custody:	County Jail

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:	5/14/2020 9:03 PM

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:

ASSAULT ON PUBLIC SERVANT

Offense 2:

RESISTING ARREST

Offense 3:

DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED

Were the Charges:: Not filed at time of death

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; Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

SINGLE VEHICLE CRASH

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: Attempted to injure 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?:	Yes
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:	No
Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:	Yes		

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:

INMATE KOZLETSKY WAS ARRESTED ON MAY 14, 2020 BY A TEXAS DPS TROOPER AND CHARGED WITH ASSAULT ON A PUBLIC SERVANT, RESISTING ARREST, DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED AND POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AS A RESULT OF A CRASH INVESTIGATION. KOZLETSKY WAS TRANSPORTED TO HEART OF TEXAS HOSPITAL IN BRADY TEXAS FOR A BLOOD DRAW AND CHECKED FOR INJURIES. KOZLETSKY REFUSED MEDICAL ATTENTION AND WAS TRANSPORTED TO MENARD COUNTY JAIL. KOZLETSKY WAS DRESSED OUT IN JAIL CLOTHING THEN STARTED THE BOOKING PROCESS. KOZLETSKY PLACED A CALL TO HIS WIFE AND BECAME AGITATED. THE PROCESS WAS STOPPED GIVEN HIS EARLIER BEHAVIOR KOZLETSKY WAS PLACED IN A MAX CELL UNDER 30 MINUTE WATCH. ON MAY 15, 2020 THE JAILER ON DUTY CONDUCTED CHECKS AND FOUND KOZLETSKY HAD HANGED HIMSELF WITH JAIL CLOTHING BETWEEN CHECKS WHILE JAILER WAS DEALING WITH ANOTHER INMATE. THE JAILER ON DUTY CALLED FOR ON DUTY OFFICER, EMS, SHERIFF AND JAIL ADMINISTRATOR. THE ON DUTY OFFICER

STARTED CPR. KOZLETSKY WAS TRANSPORTED BY EMS AND LATER WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD AT THE SHANNON MEDICAL CENTER IN SAN ANGELO ON MAY 16, 2020.