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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	22-1310-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	9/30/2022 4:34 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Tarrant County Sheriff's Office	Agency Address:	200 Taylor St., Plaza Bldg. 7th Floor
Agency City:	Fort Worth	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	76196		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Bill
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Waybourn		
Reporter Name:	Clifton Shelton	Reporter Email:	cjshelton@tarrantcounty.com

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Richard

Middle Name:

Last Name: Marta

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 3/29/1972 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 50

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/28/2022 2:49 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 8/27/2022 3:17 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 are available

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

Manner of Death: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

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Cause of Death: Complications of Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease
Significant Contributing Conditions: SARS-CoV-2 Infection

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?:	Not applicable

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?:	Pre-existing medical condition

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

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

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	100 N. Lamar St.	City:	Fort Worth
County:	Tarrant	Zip:	76196

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:	7/28/2022 2:49 AM

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:

Injury to a Child-Elderly-Disabled with Intent Bodily Injury PC 22.04 (f)

Offense 2:

Theft of Property $100 to $750 PC 31.09 (e) (2) (A)

Offense 3:

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

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:

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?:	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?

Under Restraint:	Yes, mark which restraint devices were used

Type of restraint

Type of Restraint:	Leg Shackles

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

Custodial death of Richard Marta (W/M 03/29/1972 TX SID#06156777 TCSO CID #0504588 TX DL #19101063) on Saturday, August 27, 2022. Mata was booked into the Tarrant County Jail on July 28, 2022 for Injury to a Child/Elderly/Disabled with Intent Bodily Injury and Theft of Property >=$100<$750. Mata tested positive for Covid-19 on August 23, 2022 and was transferred to John Peter Smith Hospital on August 25, 2022 at 10:20 pm for chest pains and hypertension. On August 26, 2022, Mata underwent surgery for an aortic dissection but was listed in critical condition in the ICU following the suregery and his next of kin was notified. Mata’s family made the decision to remove him from his ventilator. On August 27th 2022 at 2:57 pm, Mata was removed from his ventilator by RT Victor Adame. On August 27, 2022 at 3:17 pm Dr. Benjamin Wroblewski pronounced Mata deceased at John Peter Smith Hospital ICU Room 311. Detective Ramon Garcia is the primary investigator for TCSO, Service number 2022-12291. The Tarrant County Medical Examiner was contacted, case number 22-15734. This case will be reviewed by the Fort Worth Police Department – Major Case Unit by Sgt. J. Phillips.