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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

# CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

## Agency Information

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| CDR Number: | 23-361-UF | Version Type: | AMENDED |
| Report Date: | 10/2/2023 9:50 AM | Status: | Submitted |

### Agency/Facility Information

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| Agency Name: | San Antonio Police Dept. | Agency Address: | 315 S. Santa Rosa |
| Agency City: | San Antonio | Agency State: | TX |
| Agency Zip: | 78207 | | |

### Director Information

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| Director Salutation: | Chief | Director First Name: | William |
| Director Middle Name: | | | |
| Director Last Name: | McManus | | |
| Reporter Name: | Miles Earwood | Reporter Email: | miles.earwood@sanantonio.gov |

## Decedent Information

### Identity of Deceased

First Name: Paul

Middle Name:

Last Name: Palafox

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/14/1988 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

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: 3/28/2023 4:27 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 3/31/2023 6:20 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: Homicide (includes Justifiable Homicide)

## Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wound to head

## 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?: Law enforcement/correctional personnel

## 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?: Rifle/shotgun

## 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: Firearm

# Location / Custody Information

### Where did the event causing the death occur?

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| Street Address: | 1306 S. Mesquite | City: | San Antonio |
| County: | Bexar | Zip: | 78210 |

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

Location Category: Residence/Home

### 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:

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?

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| 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:

Aggravated Assault Deadly Weapon: Public Servant

Offense 2:

Aggravated Assault Deadly Weapon

Offense 3:

Deadly Conduct

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| 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)

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| 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?

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| Decedent display/use of weapons: | Yes, mark all that apply |
| Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: | Discharged firearm |

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

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| Attempt to Injure Others?: | Yes (select all that apply) |
| Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others: | Attempted to injure law enforcement personnel; Injured civilian(s) or other inmate(s) |

### 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): | Unknown | Make suicidal statements?: | No |
| Exhibit any mental health problems?: | Unknown | Exhibit any medical problems?: | No |

### 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?: | Yes | 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: | Unknown | 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 3/27/23, officers were searching for a suspect who had shot and injured a member of the public. Officers located the decedent, who was the suspect in the aggravated assault deadly weapon which had just occurred. The decedent displayed an AR-15 rifle and began shooting at the officers who had responded to the listed address. The decedent indiscriminately discharged approximately 30 rounds towards officers and struck nearby residences and vehicles with several bullets. The decedent barricaded himself behind vehicles, remained armed with a rifle, and was continuing to present a threat to the officers and the public. An officer discharged his rifle at the decedent. The decedent was struck in the head and was disabled. EMS arrived and transported the decedent to a nearby hospital. The decedent, while still in the hospital for his injuries, passed away a few days later on 3/31/23.