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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	23-643-CJ	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	6/6/2023 10:27 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Liberty County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	2400 Beaumont Ave.
Agency City:	Liberty	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	77575		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Bobby
Director Middle Name:	J		
Director Last Name:	Rader		
Reporter Name:	Ann Marie Mitchell	Reporter Email:	ann.mitchell@co.liberty.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Johnny

Middle Name: Austin

Last Name: Sunday

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 10/12/1995 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 27

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 4/25/2023 3:31 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 6/3/2023 3:24 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:

Medical report still pending. He was pronounced brain dead by Dr. Devon Shumway at 1524 on June 3, 2023, at HCA Houston Healthcare- Kingwood. Life Gift is involved and we have not yet received a cardiac death time.

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?:	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:	2400 Beaumont Ave	City:	Liberty
County:	Liberty	Zip:	77575

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:
Jail - multiple occupancy cell

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:	4/25/2023 3:31 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?: 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:

UUMV

Offense 2:

Parole Violation; Holds for several other counties : Sabine -Burglary of Habitation, Sabine-Theft of Property; Sabine-Fraud; Jefferson-Theft

Offense 3:

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: Crime Against Property

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):	Unknown	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:	No

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

He was in a multi-man dorm. His family called for my staff to conduct a welfare check on him because they were told he was cutting himself. My CPL checked on him and the inmate advised he was fine. The CPL did not see any cuts at that time. My CPL went on a break and when he returned, the family called for another welfare check. The CPL went to the dorm and found the inmate hanging in the shower by a bedsheet. Life saving measures were taken and the Nurse was called. EMS was dispatched and took him to the hospital. He was later transferred to Kingwood Hospital. A PR Bond was requested and granted by the courts on 6/1/2023. After his release from our custody, we were no longer able to receive medical updates. We were never advised that he had passed until his family came to collect his property on 6/5/2023.