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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	24-1331-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	9/10/2024 10:26 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Potter County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	13103 NE 29th
Agency City:	Amarillo	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	79111		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Brian
Director Middle Name:	L.		
Director Last Name:	Thomas		
Reporter Name:	Jeremy Frazier	Reporter Email:	jeremyfrazier@co.potter.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: JOSIAH

Middle Name: DEVON

Last Name: JOHNSON

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 5/21/1991 Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 33

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 9/5/2024 5:59 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/6/2024 9:00 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: Alcohol/Drug Intoxication

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

CAUSE OF DEATH: acute Methamphetamine and Cocaine Intoxication.
SPECIAL STUDIES: Toxicology

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?: 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: Drug overdose

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	POTTER COUNTY DETENTION CENTER 13100 NE 29TH AVE	City:	AMARILLO
County:	Potter	Zip:	79111

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 - single 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:	9/5/2024 5:59 PM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location:	Elsewhere, specify

Death Location Elsewhere:

COUNTY JAIL MEDICAL HOUSING

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:

TAMPER W/GOV REC F-3

Offense 2:

POSS CS PG 2>=4G <400G F-2

Offense 3:

INTERFER W/PUBLIC DUTIES MB

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: Alcohol / drug offense

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):	Yes	Make suicidal statements?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Yes	Exhibit any medical problems?:	Yes

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:

On 09-05-2024 at about 1759 hrs DPS Troop brought in JOHNSON, JOSIAH DEVON B/M DOB 05-21-1991 after being cleared at North West Texas Hospital. JOHNSON was charged with 3 original charges Tampering w/Gov Records, Intrefere w/Public Duties & Poss CS. JOHNSON was uncooperative in at the time of booking and as a result was placed in a high observation cell in Medical at about 0320 hrs on 09-06-2024. At about 0825 hrs on 09-06-2024 JOHNSON was found unresponsive and life saving measures were started by Corrections and Medical Staff. Amarillo Fire Department and ambulance staff were called arriving a short time later and continued life saving measures. At 0900 hrs on 09-06-2024 ambulance staff ended life saving measures and pronounced JOHNSON deceased. JP-3 Gary Jackson and Texas Ranger Max Honesto were contacted to conduct the investigation. Judge Jackson ordered an autopsy to be conducted 09-10-2024 in Lubbock and will be attended by Texas Ranges.