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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	24-213-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	2/23/2024 4:10 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Nacogdoches County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	2306 Douglass Hwy.
Agency City:	Nacogdoches	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75964		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Jason
Director Middle Name:	R.		
Director Last Name:	Bridges		
Reporter Name:	Jason Bridges	Reporter Email:	jbridges@nac-sheriff.com

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Jeffrey

Middle Name: Wayne

Last Name: Burgay

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/20/1972 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 51

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 2/5/2024 11:17 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 2/9/2024 2:45 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: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Cause of death: Hanging

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:	2306 Douglass Highway	City:	Nacogdoches
County:	Nacogdoches	Zip:	75964

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:	2/5/2024 11:04 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?:	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:

Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle- SJF

Offense 2:

Warrant- Grand Jury Indictment- Theft of Property- SJF

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: 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):	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?:	Yes	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 02-05-24, Nacogdoches County Sheriff Deputies arrested Jeffrey Wayne Burgay for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and a grand jury warrant for theft of property. Both charges are a state jail felony. Burgay was accepted into the Nacogdoches County Jail at 11:17 am. After being placed in a holding cell, Burgay was later housed in a single man cell.

On 02-07-24, as jail staff were conducting regular cell checks, a jailer approached Burgay’s cell and observed Burgay was hanging in his cell. The jailer immediately called for assistance. Nursing staff and jailers started life saving measures on Burgay. EMS and Fire were immediately called to the jail. Burgay had a pulse when he was transported to the Hospital by EMS.

Burgay remained in the hospital receiving medical care until the time of his death on 02-09-2024.

Justice of the Peace, precinct 3 Leann Goerner was immediately contacted and responded to the hospital. An autopsy was ordered. The Texas Rangers were notified at the time Burgay was transported to the Hospital. They are conducting an investigation into the matter.
The Texas Jail Commission was also immediately notified.