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ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 18-315-CJ

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 4/27/2018 9:16 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Harris County
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 1200 Baker Street

Agency City: Houston

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77002

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Ed

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Gonzalez

Reporter Name: Ronny Taylor

Reporter Email: ronny.taylor@sheriff.hctx.net

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Wilbert

Middle Name: Lee

Last Name: Williams

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 7/16/1951

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African
American

Age At Time Of Death: 66

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 1/10/2018 2:36 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 1/18/2018 10:33
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: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Hypertensive and atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease.

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: 1200 Street

City: Houston

County: Harris

Zip: 77002

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:

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?

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:

Interfere W/Police Service

Offense 2:

Burglary of a Building

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: Other, specify;
Crime Against
Property

Type of Offense, Other:

Interfere w/ Police Service

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?: Unknown

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 June 9, 2016 HCSO filed charges on Inmate Williams for (1) Interference w/ Police Service and (2) Burglary of a Building.

On May 3, 2017 The 185th District Court issues delivery orders on both cases for Inmate Williams to be transferred to the Rusk State Hospital.

On July 10, 2017 Inmate Williams was transferred to the Palestine Regional Medical Center.

On January 3, 2018 the 185th District Court issued Bench Warrants on both cases for the return of Inmate Williams to HCSO custody following the required treatment at the Palestine Regional Medical Center.

On January 10, 2018 at approximately 14:36 hours, Inmate Williams was processed into the Harris County Jail for (1) Interference w/ Police Service and (2) Burglary of a Building. Each case has a \$15,000 Bond and assigned to the 185th District Court.

On January 18, 2018 at approximately 08:27 hours, Inmate Williams was escorted by staff to an interview room located in the Mental Health suites. While being interviewed by Health Services staff, he (Inmate Williams) fell to the floor. Inmate Williams, with assistance from staff, was able to get on the stretcher and was transported to 1200 Medical Clinic. He was conscious and speaking to staff.

On January 18, 2018 at approximately 09:30 Medical Security staff was notified to "close" the Clinic for a medical emergency. Medical staff began providing medical treatment to Inmate Williams and ultimately CPR

was started.

On January 18, 2018 at approximately 09:36 hours, HFD (Medic #9) arrived and took over medical treatment and CPR. At approximately 10:10 hours, HFD transported Inmate Williams to St. Joseph Hospital.

On January 18, 2018 at 10:33 hours, Inmate Williams was pronounced deceased by attending physician Dr. Hassin.