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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	18-48-C	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	7/13/2018 5:52 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:	Jeffery Vickery	Reporter Email:	jeffery.vickery@sheriff.hctx.net

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Matthew

Middle Name: Vincent

Last Name: Cobb

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 3/28/1982 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 35

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 1/31/2018 9:48 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 2/1/2018 12:32 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: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wounds (2) of the head and neck

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment: Not Applicable

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?: Handgun

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?

Street Address:	2527 Kiplands Way Dr	City:	Houston
County:	Harris	Zip:	77014

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: Police Custody (pre-booking)

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel subsequent to arrest

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: Scene of incident

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:

Deadly Conduct

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

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:	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?

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:

Attempt to Injure Others?:	Yes (select all that apply)
Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	Attempted to injure law enforcement personnel

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?:	Unknown	Exhibit any medical problems?:	Unknown

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?:	Yes
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:	Yes
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:	Yes, mark which restraint devices were used

Type of restraint

Type of Restraint:	Handcuffs

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

On 01/31/2018, Harris County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a Domestic Disturbance incident between the decedent and his ex-wife at the decedent's parent's home. The suspect left the location before deputies arrived. The primary deputy relayed the facts he obtained at the scene to a Harris County ADA (Assistant District Attorney.) The ADA accepted a charge of Deadly Conduct on the suspect. Deputies learned of a possible location for the suspect and proceeded to the location. A male escorted them into the residence and advised the suspect was upstairs in his room. Deputies entered the room, woke the suspect up, and handcuffed him. While in the room, the suspect obtained a handgun and discharged it at deputies, while holding it behind his back. A deputy returned fire and struck the suspect. The deputies and roommate exited the residence & the SWAT members were called. SWAT personnel entered the residence and located the

suspect with no signs of life.
-Two deputies sustained non life-threatening gunshot wounds. The roommate sustained multiple gunshot wounds and was transported to a hospital via life-flight.
-One deputy was shot by the decedent. At the time of this report, it is unknown who caused the injuries to the other deputy and the roommate.

07/13/2018- The following facts have been discovered through the investigation:
After the suspect obtained the handgun, he shot once towards a deputy while handcuffed. The two deputies ran towards the stairs and front door, followed by the homeowner. One of the deputies discharged his weapon numerous times while fleeing, striking the other deputy twice and the homeowner five times. The injured deputy and homeowner sustained non life threatening injuries. The suspect was located with no signs of life in an upstairs restroom with self-inflicted gunshot wounds to the head and neck.
-On April 2, 2018, a Harris County Assistant Medical Examiner completed the autopsy report.
Based on the obtained facts:
-The "Report of Injuries to or Death of Peace Officer" was filed in error on 02/01/2018.
-The "Peace Officer Involved Injuries or Death Report" was filed in error on 02/01/2018. (Corrected versions to be filed)