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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 23-665-UF

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VERSION

Report Date: 6/8/2023 3:58 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Bexar County
Sheriff's Office

Agency Address: 200 N. Comal

Agency City: San Antonio

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 78207

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Javier

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Salazar

Reporter Name: John Mahon

Reporter Email: jmahon@bexar.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Ryan

Middle Name: Thomas

Last Name: Stanush

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 6/14/1990

Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 32

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 6/3/2023 6:43 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 6/3/2023 7:37 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: Homicide (includes
Justifiable
Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wound

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?: Law
enforcement/correctional
personnel

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: 8702 Versant Bluff

City: Boerne

County: Bexar

Zip: 78015

What location category best describes where the event causing the death occurred?

Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody: Pre-Custodial Use
of Force

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel during/fleeing 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:

Aggravated Assault against Public Servant

Offense 2:

Burglary with Intent to Commit Assault

Offense 3:

Injury to Child

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;
Crimes Against
Child(ren); 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: Yes, mark all that apply

Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: Displayed other weapon, specify;;
Used other weapon, specify:

Specify Weapon Displayed:

Knife

Specify Weapon Used:

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: Injured law enforcement personnel; Injured civilian(s) or other inmate(s)

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?: Unknown

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?: Yes

Physically attempt/assault officer(s): Yes

Gain possession of officer's weapon: No

Verbally threaten other(s) including law: Yes

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 Saturday, June 3, 2023, at approximately 6:43 AM, Bexar County Sherriff's Office Deputies were dispatched to 8702 Versant Bluff for a Disturbance in Progress after the Complainant (decedent's sister) called 9-1-1 reporting her brother (decedent) was on drugs, broke into her home, and assaulted her husband. The decedent reportedly drove to the location and kicked in the front door of the residence. After making entry, the decedent began assaulting the complainant, her husband, and one of their children. As the incident continued, the decedent proceeded to shove a white powdery substance (later determined to be Diatomaceous Earth) in each of their faces making statements about aliens and getting the worms out of them as he spread the powder throughout the home.

A Bexar County Sherriff's Office Deputy, was the first officer to arrive on scene. Upon the deputy's arrival, he made contact with the decedent in the street, in front of the residence located at 8702 Versant Bluff. The decedent immediately approached and physically assaulted the deputy, ignoring verbal commands to turn around and place his hands behind his back. The decedent refused to comply with the deputy's commands and proceeded to attempt to grab hold of the deputy. With his Taser drawn, the deputy defended against the decedent's attempt to grab hold of him and warned the decedent he would be tased if he did not comply with his (the deputy's) verbal orders. The decedent continued to disregard the deputy's verbal commands, stating to the deputy "I will fuck you up" as he (the decedent) began walking away towards his sister, the complainant who was standing near the front entryway of the residence. Seeing her brother, the decedent, approach her, the complainant told the decedent to stop and that he was not going to go near her children. As the complainant pleaded with the decedent to stop, he continued to advance towards her. The deputy fired his Taser striking the decedent.

As the Taser cycled, the decedent fell to the ground, deployed a knife, and began stabbing at the deputy. The decedent immediately jumped back up and aggressively charged at the deputy slashing at the deputy with the knife. At this time, the deputy, who had been struck in the face and torso by the knife, fired his service weapon at the decedent. The decedent, who had been shot by the deputy, collapsed onto the roadway and was handcuffed. The decedent was pronounced deceased at 7:37 AM; the deputy was transported to the hospital with multiple injuries.