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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

**CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT**

# Agency Information

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| CDR Number: | 23-1049-PF | Version Type: | ORIGINAL VERSION |
| Report Date: | 8/16/2023 2:42 PM | Status: | Submitted |

## Agency/Facility Information

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| Agency Name: | Houston Police Dept. | Agency Address: | 1200 Travis, 16th Floor |
| Agency City: | Houston | Agency State: | TX |
| Agency Zip: | 77002 | | |

## Director Information

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| Director Salutation: | Chief | Director First Name: | Troy |
| Director Middle Name: | | | |
| Director Last Name: | Finner | | |
| Reporter Name: | Kimberly Fowler | Reporter Email: | kimberly.fowler@houstonpolice.org |

# Decedent Information

### Identity of Deceased

First Name: Ronnie

Middle Name: Brady

Last Name: Richardson

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/18/1963

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 59

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 8/4/2023 5:36 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 8/4/2023 5:45 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 wound to the head.

## 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?

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| Street Address: | 13403 Preston Cliff Ct. | City: | Houston |
| County: | Harris | Zip: | 77077 |

## 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: Private Facility

## Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

N/A

## 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?

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| 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?

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| | Offense 1: |
| Agg. Assault Deadly Weapon SBI (Dom. Viol.) | |
| | Offense 2: |
| Agg. Assault Deadly Weapon SBI (Dom. Viol.) | |
| | Offense 3: |

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| 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)

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| 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?

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| 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:

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| Attempt to Injure Others?: | Yes (select all that apply) |
| Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others: | Injured civilian(s) or other inmate(s) |

## At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

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| Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): | No | Make suicidal statements?: | Yes |
| Exhibit any mental health problems?: | Unknown | Exhibit any medical problems?: | No |

### At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

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| 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: | Yes | 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?

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| Under Restraint: | No |

## Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

On August 4, 2023, at approximately 5:36 AM, Houston Police officers were dispatched to 13403 Preston Cliff Court, Houston, Harris County, Texas, regarding a Shooting in Progress. Upon arrival officers learned from a family member that the suspect was armed and had shot two family members. Officers entered the residence and made their way to an upstairs master bedroom, where the incident occurred. Uon making contact with the surviving family members, officers learned the suspect was in the room and had a gun to his head. A short time later, officers heard a single gunshot and immediately entered the room, finding the suspect non-responsive from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. both survivors were stabilized and expected to fully recover. The suspect was pronounced deceased at the scene..