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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	23-1271-UF	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	4/29/2024 10:27 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	McKinney Police Dept.	Agency Address:	2200 Taylor-Burk Dr
Agency City:	McKinney	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75071		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Joe
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Ellenburg		
Reporter Name:	Kelsie Cannaday	Reporter Email:	kcannaday@mckinneytexas.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Sidney

Middle Name: Deveon

Last Name: Dotson

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 5/26/1986

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 37

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 9/11/2023 8:16 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/11/2023 8:39 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: Homicide (includes Justifiable

Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Autopsy results showed that the medical examiner believed the cause of death to be from gunshot wounds.

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:	703 Bumpas St # 124	City:	McKinney
County:	Collin	Zip:	75069

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

Location Category: Parking lot/garage

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:

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: 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:

Aggravated Assault F1

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: Medical / Mental Health assistance call

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:

Decedent had cut his own throat with the knife prior to officers arrival.

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):	Yes	Make suicidal statements?:	Yes
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?:	Yes	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	N/A
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	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 Monday, September 11th, 2023, McKinney dispatch received a report of an adult male walking around the apartment complex at 703 Bumpas St, knocking on random doors, threatening to kill himself. The caller, Lucile HARRISON advised her son, Sidney DOTSON was a “mental patient” who was off his medication since being released from prison 3 weeks ago. She stated he had been taking drugs and threatening to kill himself today. Officers contacted DOTSON, who was uncooperative and immediately confrontational with officers. Officers could see DOTSON was armed with a knife and appeared to have a laceration to his neck that needed immediate medical attention. Officers deployed a less than lethal round to gain compliance, however it was ineffective. DOTSON immediately charged toward officers with the knife, causing them to fear an imminent threat of serious bodily injury or death. Officers discharged their department issued pistols, striking DOTSON. DOTSON was transported to Medical Center of McKinney hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries. An autopsy was performed on DOTSON by the Colin County Medical Examiner’s office. The final report revealed that the medical examiner believed the cause of death was due to gunshot wounds