



# KEN PAXTON

## ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

### CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

## Agency Information

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CDR Number: 18-1398-C

Version Type: ORIGINAL  
VERSION

Report Date: 2/5/2019 2:56 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: Art

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Acevedo

Reporter Name: Kimberly Fowler

Reporter Email: kimberly.fowler@houstonpolice.org

## Decedent Information

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## Identity of Deceased

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First Name: Jeremy

Middle Name: Jermaine

Last Name: Lawerence

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 5/7/1990

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African  
American

Age At Time Of Death: 28

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

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Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 11/27/2018 12:48  
AM

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

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Death Date and Time: 11/29/2018 11:17  
PM

## Manner / Cause of Death

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Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

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Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?: Yes, results  
pending

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

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Pending autopsy

Manner of Death: results

## Medical Cause of Death:

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Medical Cause of Death:

Pending Autopsy Results

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

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Medical Treatment: Unknown

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

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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)

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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?

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Pre existing medical condition?: Could not be determined

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

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Means of Death: Not applicable, cause of death was illness/natural cause

## Location / Custody Information

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Where did the event causing the death occur?

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Street Address: 200 E. Navigation

City: Houston

County: Harris

Zip: 77012

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

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Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

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

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Type of Custody: Police Custody  
(pre-booking)

Specific type of custody/facility:

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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):

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Entry Date Time:

Entry Date Time N/A: ☒

Where did the death occur?

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Death Location: Dead on arrival at  
medical facility

## General Information

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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:

Drug Offenses

Offense 2:

Burglary

Offense 3:

Evading

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: Alcohol / drug offense; 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?

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Decedent display/use of weapons: Unknown

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?: Unknown

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): 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:

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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: | 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 Wednesday, November 28, 2018, around 10:p.m., The Houston Police Department (HPD) SWAT Detail assisted the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), in an operation at 7647 Harrisburg Boulevard, Houston, Texas (HPD Incident# 150372018). While HPD SWAT officers were attempting to affect an arrest on several suspects, Suspect Lawrence fled the scene in a vehicle and crashed near 100 E. Navigation. That suspect then fled on foot and was apprehended with the help of an HPD Canine Officer. The suspect was transported back to the original scene where he began to complain of chest pain and problems breathing and soon became unresponsive. HFD personnel immediately treated him on scene and then transported him to Ben Taub Hospital where he was pronounced dead; his cause of death is unknown at this time. Seven other suspects were detained and one other suspect was shot by SWAT officers. Charges and autopsy results are still pending.

