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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	20-705-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	11/19/2020 11:37 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Guadalupe County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	2617 N. Guadalupe
Agency City:	Seguin	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78155		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Arnold
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Zwicke		
Reporter Name:	Robert Hernandez	Reporter Email:	rhernandez@co.guadalupe.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Robert

Middle Name:

Last Name: Fadal

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 4/26/1961 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

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: 12/19/2018 7:10 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/19/2020 5:15 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:

Suicide by strangulation
Hanging

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?:	Not Applicable

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:	Hanging, strangulation

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	2617 N. Guadalupe Street	City:	Seguin
County:	Guadalupe	Zip:	78655

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

Location Category:	Law Enforcement Facility

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

Type of Custody:	County Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:
Jail - single cell

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:	12/19/2018 7:10 PM

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?: 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:

Capital Murder of Multiple Persons

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Filed

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: No

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?: 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?:	No	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	No
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	Unknown	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:

At approximately 0418 Officer Andrew Zartman was feeding breakfast in Medical when came to Medical Cell 6 to feed inmate Fadal, Robert. Upon opening the cell window and food port Officer Zartman did not see inmate Fadal laying in his bunk. Officer Zartman looked to the right of the cell and found inmate Fadal in the corner hanging with a mattress cover tied around his neck. Officer Zartman called a code 1 and waited for assistance to arrive. Once the Special Emergency Response Team arrived the cell was breached and inmate Fadal was cut down with a seatbelt cutter. Inmate Fadal was carried out and laid down on his back where Licensed Vocational Nurse Pamela Newman followed medical protocols. CPR was started and the AED was called for. EMS was called and they took over CPR when they arrived. Inmate Fadal was transported to the hospital and the jail was notified that the hospital called the time of death at 0515. EOR