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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	21-1223-CJ	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	9/20/2021 3:59 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Brown County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	1050 W. Commerce
Agency City:	Brownwood	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	76801		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Vance
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Hill		
Reporter Name:	Becky caffey	Reporter Email:	becky.caffey@browncountytx.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Joe

Middle Name: Richard

Last Name: Cadena

Suffix: jr.

Date of Birth: 3/27/1969 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 52

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 2/7/2021 2:41 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/2/2021 5:37 PM

Manner / Cause of Death

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

Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?: No, evaluation not planned

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

Manner of Death: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Covid-19 pneumonia
acute hypoxic respiratory failure
acute renal failure

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

Medical Treatment: Yes

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

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)

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?: Deceased developed condition after admission

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

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

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 1501 Burnet Road
City: Brownwood
County: Brown
Zip: 76801

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Hendricks Hospital Brownwood

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:

Hospital/Infirmary

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: 2/7/2021 2:41 AM

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:

Arson/intend damage habitation

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; 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:

Specify Weapon Displayed:

large survival knife

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

Attempt to Injure Others?: No

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?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Yes	Exhibit any medical problems?:	No

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):	No	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:

Joe Richard Cadena Jr. , was arrested on 2-7-2021 and placed into the Brown County Jail. On August 19,2021 Joe Richard Cadena Jr., complained of back pain, he was prescribed naproxen and 40 mg. of prednisone. On 8-22-2021 at 2343, Cadena complained of back pain and was unable to walk. Jail physician, ordered Cadena to go to the Emergency Room. When officers were getting Cadena ready to go to the Emergency Room, they noticed a sore on his left buttock. Upon arrival to the Emergency Room, Cadena was diagnosed with Covid-19 pneumonia, sepsis, and cirrhosis of the liver. Cadena was admitted to the hospital for treatment. On 8/26/21 Cadena was placed on a ventilator. On 8/26/21, the decision was made to release Cadena on personal bond, due to his health and so that the family could make any important decisions regarding his health. On September 2,2021, the hospital contacted the jail staff and informed the jail that the family had made the decision to remove Cadena from the ventilator. On September 02,2021, Joe Cadena Jr. passed away from Covid-19- pneumonia, acute hypoxic respiratory failure and acute renal failure.