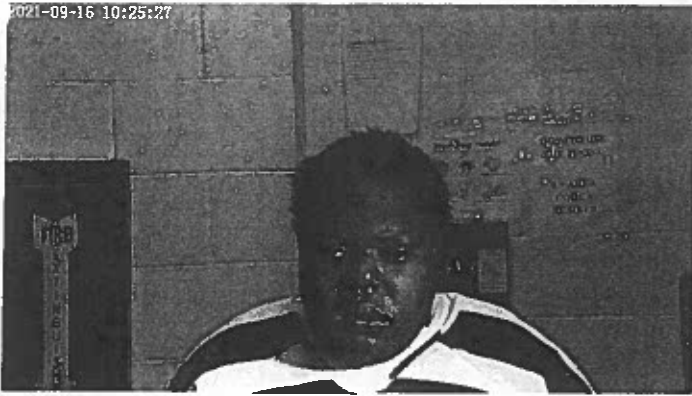


OPSO Case Number 2021-00053759

Demerious Jones
10/7/1999
114 Pecan Ruston, LA 71270

Lincoln Parish Detention Center



Name
JONES, DEMERIOUS D

Street Address:
1014 PECAN
CITY: STATE: ZIP:
RUSTON, LA 712700000

Age: 21

Arrest Date:	Time:	Arresting Agency:	Court Date:	Arrest Location:
09/16/21	9:34	RPD		401 N. TRENTON RUSTON
Release Date: 09/24/2021				LA

Sex: M	Eyes: BRO	Height: 5- 5	Appearance: 10
Race: B	Hair: BLK	Weight: 255	Build: 5
Scars/Marks/Tattoos:	Birth Place: RUSTON		LA

1	PROB-MISD Statute (RSA):	PROBATION - MISDEMEANOR VIOLATION	M	0.00 NOBOND
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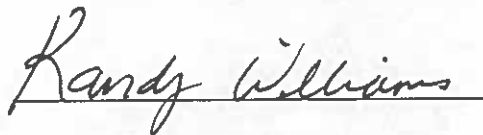
To: Whom it May Concern

From: Captain Randy Williams, LPDC Investigator

Date: September 27, 2021

Re: Demerious Jones (DOB – 10/7/1999)

On Friday, September 24, 2021 at 1250hrs, Captain Williams along with Deputy Davie Powell, were in the break room eating lunch when we heard on the radio that Demerious Jones was not responding and for the control room operator to call an ambulance. I immediately ran to holding # 4 where I saw Deputy Gainous performing CPR on Inmate Demerious Jones at 12:51hrs. At 1252hrs, I relieved Deputy Gainous and began performing CPR on Inmate Demerious Jones while Deputy Gainous was giving two breaths between the cycles of CPR. I performed CPR until 1255hrs then Deputy Davie Powell took over. At 1255hrs, Deputy Warden Knox was given an AED and began placing the leads on Dmerious Jones as the directions stated. The AED went through cycles of checking Demerious Jones and at no time did it give any shocks and gave directions to continue with CPR. At 1300hrs, Deputy Gainous relieved Deputy Powell from doing chest compressions as I stepped in to deliver 2 breaths during the cycles. CPR continued until the Ruston Fire Department arrived at 1257hrs and took over. Ruston Fire Department exited LPDC grounds at 1313hrs with Demerious Jones accompanied by Deputy Andria Smith.



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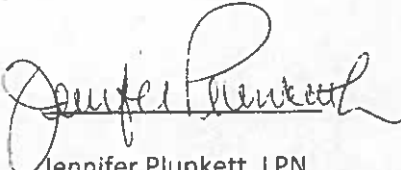
On September 24, 2021 I, Deputy Andria Smith of the Lincoln Parish Detention Center whose duty is security, was walking behind booking after being in the scanner room on suicide watch when DC-4, Sarah Knox, came through the door beside booking and detox and stated that she was headed to holding 4 due to DC-17, Joyce Jackson, stating that she believed something was wrong with offender Demerius Jones. I then proceeded to head to holding 4 where DC- 17, 43, and 61 were checking on the offender. DC-61, Jonathan Gainous, stated he could not feel a pulse or hear any breathing. Upon my entering the cell, I moved to the inner part of the cell where I then notice what looked to be vomit coming out the offenders nose. I asked if I could try to wipe the substance from the offenders nose and was told yes if I could by the Nurse, DC-43. After trying to find something dry to wipe and failing I stood and walked out of the cell. My co-workers had called for cpr to be administered and DC-61 proceeded to begin giving cpr. DC-5, Captain Williams and DC-13, Davie Powell came through 115 to begin helping to administer cpr to the offender. I am unsure of who called for the ambulance but it was also stated around the same time that we needed the defibrillator that was on site in the nurse's office next to the holding cell. DC-55, Jeff Bagwell and myself went to the nurses office to retrieve the defibrillator and take it to the holding cell where deputies would then follow the instructions given to try to shock the offender once a pulse was found. DC-4 stated to DC-17 that someone would have to go with the offender in the ambulance. It was stated that I would be the deputy to go with the offender as security as well as to log down in the medical book while the offender was being treated. At this time I went to the front office to retrieve the medical book and make my way back to the holding cell as the ambulance was on compound. At approximately 1257 the emts were inside the jail and taking over compressions and care for the offender. I followed them to the ambulance where they loaded the offender up and continued to hook him up and get an I.O in his leg all while administering cpr continuously. Once arriving to the hospital, the offender was rushed in where hospital staff took over care and proceeded to try to resuscitate the offender. At approximately 1337 the emergency room doctor pronounced Demerius Jones deceased.

End of report.

On 9-24-2021 at approximately 1251 I, Deputy Joyce Jackson exited the control room and met with Captain Sara Knox at door 104. I advised her that I was enroute to do a wellness check on offender Demerius Jones in Holding 4 due to Nurse Jennifer Plunkett and Deputy Johnathon Gainous being already on scene. She advised she would walk with me and assist. As I walked through door 115 the Nurse and Deputy Gainous were at the holding door attempting to get Jones to move from the obscured angle he was laying at to ensure no injury came to him upon opening the door. I went to the window of the door and observed Jones' head to be partially under the bed and his legs to be fully extended toward the doorway making entry to the doorway difficult but not impossible. I verbally called Jones' name multiple times with no response. Due to Jones being a known diabetic, I advised Deputy Gainous to open the door so the Nurse could obtain his sugar levels. As Deputy Gainous entered I observed him call Jones name several times and nudge him lightly with the door several times in an attempt to open the door with no response. Deputy Gainous then reached down and grabbed Jones hand and observed it to be colder than what would be considered a normal body temperature. Deputy Gainous then touched Jones in his abdominal region and advised it was of the same temperature. At this time I advised Nurse Plunkett to get an Ammonia respiratory stimulant in an attempt to get Jones to regain consciousness. I observed Deputy Gainous checking Jones pulse and advised he could not detect one. At hrs I advised control to call an ambulance and I observed Deputy Gainous immediately begin Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). At this time, I notified Warden Jim Tuten and Assistant Warden John Driskill of our observations and began to prepare Jones medical and booking information for the paramedics. I returned to to holding unit and observed Captain Randy Williams and Deputy Davie Powell assisting Deputy Gainous in CPR. I then advised Captain Knox that someone was needed at the Entrance gate of the facility to guide the ambulance to the proper sally port for Jones transport. I observed CPR administered by deputies until paramedics arrived on scene. Once paramedics arrived I observed deputies turn the scene over to paramedics and they continued CPR. I then observed deputies assisting in placing Jones on the gurney. I then gathered Jones proper paperwork and gave it to the paramedics and advised Deputy Andria Smith to accompany paramedics to the hospital. I received a phone call and was advised by Deputy Smith that at 1337 hrs Jones was pronounced deceased. EOR

Demerious Jones, DOB 10/07/1999

On 9/24/2021 I made contact with D Jones at AM med pass at approximately 530am in holding 4 to offer him his AM meds and to check his blood sugar. Offender was laying on his right side on the mat on the floor. Offender wouldn't sit up to allow for his meds to be given or have his blood sugar taken, I was informed via the night shift (current shift working) that he had been refusing to take meds or have blood sugar check last few days also. Offender was assisted by one of the officers to allow for this SN to obtain his blood sugar (184 result) and his pulse ox (99% results) to be checked, he continued to stay laying down. Several times as my shift continued I went by the door of holding 4 to look in on this offender between continuing my other duties and working with other offenders, he had almost each time he was checked on had moved into different positions on his mat. At next chow time around noon another officer (the shift had changed to day shift), myself and two other officers entered into holding 4 where offender was laying on his mat on the floor, offender was again asked to allow for his blood sugar to be taken, with assistance from one of the officers I checked his blood sugar with results of 500, per insulin sliding scale he was administered 7units of R insulin Sub Q in the back of his upper left arm to help reduce his blood sugar. I then continued to perform my other working duties and made note of the time to allow for the insulin to work to reduce his blood sugar so I could come back to check on him. After approximately 45mins I returned to medical office and called for male officer to meet me back at holding 4 to check offender's blood sugar again to see if his blood sugar was returning to normal or he needed more medical attention. My self and one other male officer entered holding 4 where offender was now laying on his back with his head under the edge of the end of the bed. Offender was not responding to verbal commands and it was noted by me and the other officer that we neither were able to find a pulse when checking his wrist pulse. I then checked to see if I could see if he was breathing, he wasn't so by this time several other officers had come to the door of holding 4. I stated that the offender wasn't breathing and we weren't able to find a pulse, one of the other officers called out to someone to call 911 for an ambulance to assist with offender non responsive. Three of the male officers entered the room and started CPR while I and another female officer entered into medical office to obtain the AED machine and mask for CPR purposes until EMS arrival to transport this offender to ER and to make copies of his MAR and medical records to take to ER also. The ambulance arrived shortly after and the offender was placed on the stretcher while EMS and our officers continued CPR, offender was then transported to NLMC ER. Our office was later contacted via phone to be informed the offender had expired.



Jennifer Plunkett, LPN

On 9-~~25~~²⁴ 2021 at approximately 1246 hrs I, Deputy Johnathon Gainous was advised by Nurse Jennifer Plunkett that she needed me to escort her to Holding 4 so she could check Offender Demerius Jones' sugar levels. Upon arrival to Holding 4 we found Jones to be laying on the floor with his head under the bed with legs and feet extended at an obscured angle in front of the door partially blocking the entry doorway appearing to be asleep. After multiple attempts to get Jones to wake up and move from the doorway, I made entry into the cell. After lightly nudging the door multiple times against Jones in an attempt to wake him up and move him from the obscured doorway, I grabbed Jones hand in an attempt to get his sugar levels for the nurse and found it to be of a colder temperature outside of what would be considered a normal body temperature. I then placed my hand against Jones stomach and found it to be of a similar temperature. I then noticed that Jones was completely unresponsive and that his eyes were open. After notifying the nurse of the discovery at 1248 hrs Shift Supervisor Joyce Jackson advised the nurse to get an ammonia respiratory stimulant in an attempt to get Jones to regain consciousness. After the attempt was unsuccessful the call was made for an ambulance. At approximately 1249 hrs I began Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) through chest compressions. At approximately 1252 hrs Captain Randy Williams made entry into the holding unit. At 1253 hrs Captain Williams relieved me in CPR chest compressions and I began to administer two breaths after every thirty compressions. At 1255 hrs Deputy Davie Powell enters the unit and relieves Captain Williams in chest compressions as well as an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) arrives on scene. At 1256 hrs the AED was applied to Jones as per verbal instructions, shock was not advised, and breathes and compressions resumed. At 1259 hrs the AED began to re-evaluate, shock as again not advised CPR resumes. At 1300 hrs I relieved Deputy Powell in compressions and Deputy Powell began 2 breaths. Shortly after at 1301 hrs the Paramedics arrived on scene and resumed CPR. At 1302 hrs the AED re-assessed and shock was not advised. At 1303 hrs deputies assisted paramedics in getting Jones on the gurney. At 1305 hrs Jones was placed on the ambulance. Holding 4 was locked to secure the scene. At 1313 hrs the ambulance left the scene with Jones. I was advised at a later time that Jones was pronounced deceased at 1337 hrs. The case was then referred to Investigations and is still pending. EOR

On September 24, 2021, I Deputy Warden Sara Knox was by control speaking with Shift Supervisor Joyce Jackson. She asked me to assist her with cleaning Holding 4 where offender Demerious Jones is housed. We arrived at Holding 4 at 1246 and Nurse Jennifer and Deputy Gainous were entering the cell. Deputy Gainous called Jones name several time but never got a response. Gainous then reached down and stated that Jones was cold and he didn't think he was breathing. Orders were given to start CPR. At 1250 I radioed control to call for an ambulance we had an offender unresponsive. Deputy Gainous then asked for a mouth barrier to give breathes, so I ran to my office to retrieve the device to where I met with Deputy Powell and Captain Williams. I advised them that we had an offender unresponsive and to come assist with giving CPR. While officers continued CPR Deputy Smith brought the AED and I followed instructions given by the device. At 1259 control announced that Ruston Ambulance was on compound. At 1301 Ruston Ambulance EMTs took over and Demerious Jones was transported by ambulance to Northern Louisiana Medical Center.

Sara Knox

On 09/24/2021 @ 1250hrs I Dy. D. Powell heard over the radio there was an emergency in holding 4. Myself along with other Deputies ran to holding 4 where we saw a male offender lying on the floor unresponsive. CPR was started by Captain Williams and when he got tired I relieved him. I continued CPR until I was relieved by Dy. Gainous. Dy. Gainous performed CPR until he was relieved by EMT personal.

AUTOPSY REPORT

Case No: LA623-21

Date of Examination: September 25, 2021

Name: JONES, Demerious

Age: 21 years

Race: Black

Sex: Male

Investigating Agency: Lincoln Parish Coroner's Office

FINDINGS

- I. Morbid obesity.
- II. Diabetes mellitus, clinical.
- III. Hypertensive cardiovascular disease.
 - A. Cardiomegaly with left ventricular hypertrophy, 500 grams.
 - B. Nephrosclerosis.

CAUSE OF DEATH: Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease.

CONTRIBUTORY FACTOR: Diabetic Ketoacidosis.

OPINION:

This 21-year-old, black male, Demerious Jones, died of hypertensive cardiovascular disease with contributory factor of diabetic ketoacidosis. Investigation of the circumstances of death revealed that the decedent was an inmate at the Lincoln Parish Detention Center when he became unresponsive. Reportedly, he had a history of diabetes mellitus.

The decedent had obese body habitus with no evidence of trauma. Internal examination showed a markedly enlarged heart, 500 grams and scarring of the kidneys due to the effects of hypertension and diabetes mellitus.

Vitreous chemistry showed elevated urea nitrogen and creatinine consistent with chronic renal disease due to his diabetes. Toxicology detected acetone and isopropanol consistent with his clinical history.



Frank J. Peretti, M.D.
Forensic Pathologist

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

The body was that of a well-developed, well-nourished, obese black male clad in a cut prison uniform. The body weighed 283 pounds, measured 68 inches in length and appeared compatible with the stated age of 21 years. The body was cold. Rigor mortis was present and fixed to an equal degree in all extremities. Lividity was present and fixed on the posterior surface of the body except in areas exposed to pressure. The scalp hair was brown. The deceased wore a mustache and goatee. The irides were brown. The corneae were cloudy. The sclerae and conjunctivae were congested and showed no petechial hemorrhages. The external nares and oral cavity contained watery aspiratory secretions. The teeth were natural and in good condition. Examination of the neck revealed no evidence of injury. The chest was unremarkable. No evidence of injury of the ribs or the sternum was evident externally. The abdomen was obese with no scars or injuries. The external genitalia were that of a normal adult male. The lower extremities showed a few irregular scars. The ankles and feet were clean. No tattoos, needle tracks or wrist scars were noted. The posterior torso was unremarkable.

EVIDENCE OF MEDICAL ATTENTION:

Endotracheal and nasogastric tubes were placed. A Foley catheter was in place containing 60 mL of urine. Intraosseous catheter was present on the anterior surface of the left leg. A hospital identification bracelet encircled the right ankle.

EVIDENCE OF INJURY:

None.

INTERNAL EXAMINATION

The subcutaneous fat layer measured up to 3 1/2 inches. There was abundant amount of fat. No adhesions or abnormal collections of fluid were present in the body cavities. Petechial hemorrhages were not present. All body organs were present in normal anatomic position and diffusely congested. There was no internal evidence of blunt force or penetrating injury to the thoraco-abdominal region.

CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM:

The pericardial surfaces were smooth, glistening and unremarkable. The pericardial sac contained a few milliliters of fluid and there were no adhesions. The heart was enlarged and globoid in configuration. The coronary arteries arose normally, followed the usual distribution and were widely patent, without evidence of significant atherosclerosis or thrombosis. The left ventricle was hypertrophic. The myocardium was dark red-brown, firm and unremarkable. The atrial and ventricular septa were intact. The aorta and its major branches arose normally, followed the usual course and were widely patent, free of significant atherosclerosis and other abnormality. The vena cava and its major tributaries returned to the heart in the usual distribution and were free of thrombi. The heart weighed 500 grams.

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM:

The pleural surfaces were smooth and glistening. The pulmonary arteries were normally developed, patent and without thrombus or embolus. The upper and lower airways contained bloody froth. The pulmonary parenchyma was grayish-purple and diffusely congested. The right lung weighed 900 grams; the left 820 grams.

NECK:

Examination of the soft tissues of the neck, including strap muscles, thyroid gland and large vessels, revealed no abnormalities or hemorrhage. The hyoid bone and larynx were intact. The epiglottis and vocal cords were unremarkable.

ALIMENTARY TRACT:

The tongue, esophagus, stomach, small and large bowel, rectum and anus showed no lesions or abnormalities. The stomach contained 100 mL of brown liquid. The appendix was present.

LIVER AND BILIARY SYSTEM:

The hepatic parenchyma was maroon with no focal lesions. The gallbladder contained a few milliliters of bile. The liver weighed 3000 grams.

GENITOURINARY SYSTEM:

The cortical surfaces were red-brown and granular. The calyces, pelves and ureters were unremarkable. The urinary bladder contained no urine. Prostate and testes were unremarkable. The right kidney weighed 290 grams; the left 300 grams.

RETICULOENDOTHELIAL SYSTEM:

The spleen had a smooth, intact capsule covering red-purple, parenchyma. The regional lymph nodes were not enlarged and appeared normal. The spleen weighed 200 grams.

ENDOCRINE AND EXOCRINE SYSTEMS:

The pituitary, thyroid, adrenal glands, and pancreas were free of obvious disease.

MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM:

Muscles were red-brown and within normal development. No bone or joint abnormalities were noted. The cervical, thoracic, and lumbar spine showed no obvious old fractures or other abnormalities.

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM:

The scalp showed no edema or hemorrhage. The calvarium and base of the skull showed no fractures. The dura and falx cerebri were intact. There was no epidural, subdural or subarachnoid hemorrhage present. The leptomeninges were clear. The cerebral hemispheres were symmetric. The cranial nerves were intact. The circle of Willis and related blood vessels were normal in caliber and distribution. Sections through the cerebral hemispheres, brain stem and cerebellum revealed no focal lesions. The brain weighed 1420 grams.



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Robert A. Middleberg, PhD, F-ABFT, DABCC-TC, Laboratory Director

Toxicology Report

Report Issued 11/02/2021 21:01

To: 10885
Dr. Frank Peretti
8710 Faulkner Lake Road

North Little Rock, AR 72117

Patient Name JONES, DEMERIOUS
Patient ID LA623-21
Chain 30277325
Age 21 Y DOB Not Given
Gender Male
Workorder 21341316

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Positive Findings:

Table with 4 columns: Compound, Result, Units, Matrix Source. Lists various substances like Isopropanol, Acetone, Lidocaine, Naloxone, Delta-9 Carboxy THC, etc.

See Detailed Findings section for additional information

Testing Requested:

Table with 2 columns: Analysis Code, Description. Lists codes 1919FL and 8042B with their corresponding descriptions.

Specimens Received:

Table with 6 columns: ID, Tube/Container, Volume/Mass, Collection Date/Time, Matrix Source, Labeled As. Lists specimen details for IDs 001 through 004.

All sample volumes/weights are approximations.
Specimens received on 09/29/2021.



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Detailed Findings:

Analysis and Comments	Result	Units	Rpt. Limit	Specimen Source	Analysis By
Isopropanol	14	mg/dL	5.0	001 - Heart Blood	Headspace GC
Acetone	76	mg/dL	5.0	001 - Heart Blood	Headspace GC
Lidocaine	Positive	mcg/mL	0.20	001 - Heart Blood	LC/TOF-MS
Naloxone	Positive	ng/mL	1.0	001 - Heart Blood	LC/TOF-MS
Delta-9 Carboxy THC	27	ng/mL	5.0	001 - Heart Blood	LC-MS/MS
Delta-9 THC	6.5	ng/mL	0.50	001 - Heart Blood	LC-MS/MS
Isopropanol	Confirmed	mg/dL	5.0	001 - Heart Blood	Headspace GC
Acetone	Confirmed	mg/dL	5.0	001 - Heart Blood	Headspace GC
9-Hydroxyrisperidone	6.3	ng/mL	1.0	001 - Heart Blood	LC-MS/MS
Risperidone and 9-Hydroxyrisperidone - Total	6.3	ng/mL		001 - Heart Blood	LC-MS/MS
Creatinine (Vitreous Fluid)	1.85	mg/dL	0.0500	003 - Vitreous Fluid	Colorimetry
Sodium (Vitreous Fluid)	148	mmol/L	80.0	003 - Vitreous Fluid	Chemistry Analyzer
Potassium (Vitreous Fluid)	12.3	mmol/L	1.00	003 - Vitreous Fluid	Chemistry Analyzer
Chloride (Vitreous Fluid)	115	mmol/L	70.0	003 - Vitreous Fluid	Chemistry Analyzer
Glucose (Vitreous Fluid)	89.0	mg/dL	35.0	003 - Vitreous Fluid	Chemistry Analyzer
Urea Nitrogen (Vitreous Fluid)	63.0	mg/dL	3.00	003 - Vitreous Fluid	Chemistry Analyzer
Ethanol	16	mg/dL	10	003 - Vitreous Fluid	Headspace GC
Acetone	100	mg/dL	5.0	003 - Vitreous Fluid	Headspace GC

Other than the above findings, examination of the specimen(s) submitted did not reveal any positive findings of toxicological significance by procedures outlined in the accompanying Analysis Summary.

Unless alternate arrangements are made by you, the remainder of the submitted specimens will be discarded one (1) year from the date of this report; and generated data will be discarded five (5) years from the date the analyses were performed.

Workorder 21341316 was electronically signed on 11/02/2021 20:12 by:

Kristopher W. Graf, M.S., D-ABFT-FT
Certifying Scientist

Analysis Summary and Reporting Limits:

All of the following tests were performed for this case. For each test, the compounds listed were included in the scope. The Reporting Limit listed for each compound represents the lowest concentration of the compound that will be reported as being positive. If the compound is listed as None Detected, it is not present above the Reporting Limit. Please refer to the Positive Findings section of the report for those compounds that were identified as being present.

Acode 1919FL - Electrolytes and Glucose Panel (Vitreous), Fluid (Forensic) - Vitreous Fluid



Analysis Summary and Reporting Limits:

-Analysis by Chemistry Analyzer for:

Compound	Rpt. Limit	Compound	Rpt. Limit
Chloride (Vitreous Fluid)	70.0 mmol/L	Sodium (Vitreous Fluid)	80.0 mmol/L
Glucose (Vitreous Fluid)	35.0 mg/dL	Urea Nitrogen (Vitreous Fluid)	3.00 mg/dL
Potassium (Vitreous Fluid)	1.00 mmol/L		

-Analysis by Colorimetry (C) for:

Compound	Rpt. Limit	Compound	Rpt. Limit
Creatinine (Vitreous Fluid)	0.0500 mg/dL		

Acode 52198B - Cannabinoids Confirmation, Blood - Heart Blood

-Analysis by High Performance Liquid Chromatography/ Tandem Mass Spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) for:

Compound	Rpt. Limit	Compound	Rpt. Limit
11-Hydroxy Delta-9 THC	1.0 ng/mL	Delta-9 THC	0.50 ng/mL
Delta-9 Carboxy THC	5.0 ng/mL		

Acode 52248B - Alcohols and Acetone Confirmation, Blood - Heart Blood

-Analysis by Headspace Gas Chromatography (GC) for:

Compound	Rpt. Limit	Compound	Rpt. Limit
Acetone	5.0 mg/dL	Isopropanol	5.0 mg/dL
Ethanol	10 mg/dL	Methanol	5.0 mg/dL

Acode 52436B - Risperidone and Metabolite Confirmation, Blood - Heart Blood

-Analysis by High Performance Liquid Chromatography/ Tandem Mass Spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) for:

Compound	Rpt. Limit	Compound	Rpt. Limit
9-Hydroxyrisperidone	1.0 ng/mL	Risperidone and 9-Hydroxyrisperidone - Total	N/A
Risperidone	1.0 ng/mL		

Acode 53249FL - Alcohols and Acetone Confirmation, Vitreous Fluid (Forensic) - Vitreous Fluid

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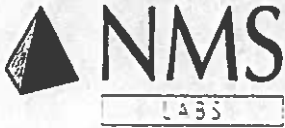
Compound	Rpt. Limit	Compound	Rpt. Limit
Acetone	5.0 mg/dL	Isopropanol	5.0 mg/dL
Ethanol	10 mg/dL	Methanol	5.0 mg/dL

Acode 8042B - Postmortem, Expanded w/Vitreous Alcohol Confirmation, Blood (Forensic) - Heart Blood

-Analysis by Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA) for:

Compound	Rpt. Limit	Compound	Rpt. Limit
Barbiturates	0.040 mcg/mL	Gabapentin	5.0 mcg/mL
Cannabinoids	10 ng/mL	Salicylates	120 mcg/mL

-Analysis by Headspace Gas Chromatography (GC) for:



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Analysis Summary and Reporting Limits:

<u>Compound</u>	<u>Rpt. Limit</u>	<u>Compound</u>	<u>Rpt. Limit</u>
Acetone	5.0 mg/dL	Isopropanol	5.0 mg/dL
Ethanol	10 mg/dL	Methanol	5.0 mg/dL

-Analysis by High Performance Liquid Chromatography/Time of Flight-Mass Spectrometry (LC/TOF-MS) for: The following is a general list of analyte classes included in this screen. The detection of any specific analyte is concentration-dependent. Note, not all known analytes in each specified analyte class are included. Some specific analytes outside of these classes are also included. For a detailed list of all analytes and reporting limits included in this screen, please contact NMS Labs. Amphetamines, Anticonvulsants, Antidepressants, Antihistamines, Antipsychotic Agents, Benzodiazepines, CNS Stimulants, Cocaine and Metabolites, Hallucinogens, Hypnosedatives, Hypoglycemics, Muscle Relaxants, Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Agents, Opiates and Opioids.

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF LINCOLN PARISH
THIRD DISTRICT

APPLICATION FOR SEARCH WARRANT

I, Detective SGT. MIKE BRYAN, for the Union Parish Sheriff's Office in the Parish aforesaid, certify under oath that probable cause does exist for the issuance of a search warrant authorizing the search of:

**MEDICAL RECORDS DEPARTMENT LOCATED AT NORTHERN LOUISIANA
MEDICAL CENTER (ADDRESS - 401 E. VAUGHN AVENUE RUSTON, LA 71270)**

ATTENTION MEDICAL RECORDS DEPARTMENT

**THIS IS A REQUEST FOR A MEDICAL RECORDS RELEASE FOR ALL MEDICAL
RECORDS PERTAINING TO DEMERIOUS D. JONES, B/M, DOB 10/07/1999**
located at , where evidence of a crime may be located to wit:

**ALL MEDICAL RECORDS PERTAINING TO DEMERIOUS D. JONES, B/M, DOB
10/07/1999**

Which said property constitutes evidence of the violation of Louisiana:

Is (are) believed to be secreted or concealed, and such probable cause is based on the following:

On Friday, September 24, 2021 at approximately 13:30 hours, Sgt. Michael McLain, who is a Detective with the Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office (OPSO), and I, Sgt. Mike Bryan (Detective with the Union Parish Sheriff's Office (UPSO)), were dispatched to the Lincoln Parish Detention Center (LPDC) as part of the Northeast Louisiana Sheriff's Investigative Unit (NLSIU) Task Force to assist with an investigation into the in-custody death of an inmate identified as Demerious D. Jones, B/M, DOB 10/07/1999.

During our initial investigation, we learned that during a routine medical check, Jones was discovered unresponsive in his single person cell. Life saving measures were performed by LPDC personnel until the arrival of Ruston Fire Department EMS personnel. Upon the arrival of RFD personnel, they took over life saving measures and transported Jones to Northern Louisiana Medical Center Emergency Department. Jones was pronounced deceased a short time later. As part of this on-going investigation, we are requesting all medical records pertaining to Jones, including the records on the day of his death, so we can review them to determine his previous medical history, as well as any prescription medication prescribed to him, and any significant medical findings on the day of his death.

Sgt. McLain and I were both sworn in at the Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office on September 30, 2021 for the purpose of being able to continue our investigation in Lincoln Parish within the full scope of our duties.

THAT a warrant to search the aforesaid is requested, and when the thing to be searched is

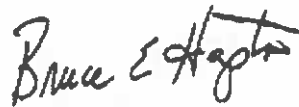
STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF LINCOLN PARISH
THIRD DISTRICT

I hereby certify under oath the facts contained within the Application for
Search Warrant to be true and correct, under penalties of perjury, so help me God.



Detective SGT. MIKE BRYAN, AFFIANT
Union Parish Sheriff's Office

THUS DONE AND PASSED on this day September 30, 2021 02:48 PM reading of the whole.



Bruce Hampton
Judge, THIRD DISTRICT
State of Louisiana

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF LINCOLN PARISH
THIRD DISTRICT

SEARCH WARRANT

TO ANY COMMISSIONED PEACE OFFICER in and for the Parish of LINCOLN PARISH:

WHEREAS an affidavit has been made before me, under penalties of perjury, by Detective SGT. MIKE BRYAN, for the Union Parish Sheriff's Office in the Parish aforesaid, alleging that the:

MEDICAL RECORDS DEPARTMENT LOCATED AT NORTHERN LOUISIANA MEDICAL CENTER (ADDRESS - 401 E. VAUGHN AVENUE RUSTON, LA 71270)

ATTENTION MEDICAL RECORDS DEPARTMENT

THIS IS A REQUEST FOR A MEDICAL RECORDS RELEASE FOR ALL MEDICAL RECORDS PERTAINING TO DEMERIOUS D. JONES, B/M, DOB 10/07/1999

located at , in the Parish of LINCOLN PARISH, State of Louisiana, is a place where evidence of a crime may be located to wit:

ALL MEDICAL RECORDS PERTAINING TO DEMERIOUS D. JONES, B/M, DOB 10/07/1999

Which said property constitutes evidence of the violation of Louisiana

Is (are) secreted or concealed, and whereas the affidavit submitted in support of the request for this search warrant indicated that the affiant has shown the necessary probable cause for its issuance.

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to search the aforesaid and when the thing to be searched is a dwelling or other structure, this writ includes all other structures, vehicles, and places on the premises where the thing(s) may be found, and if the thing(s) specified be found there, to seize and bring it (them) before the THIRD DISTRICT, and this shall be your warrant to which you are to make due return according to law.

In accordance with the request of the affiant, this warrant authorizes you to conduct the search at any time of the day or night, including Sundays.

WITNESS my official signature on this day September 30, 2021 02:48 PM.

OUACHITA PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

OFFENSE SUPPLEMENT REPORT

CASE# 2021-00053759

NARRATIVE

On 09/24/2021, I Dy. S. Bacle with the Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office Crime Scene Team, was contacted by Captain Paul Knight in reference to a death investigation being conducted at the Lincoln Parish Detention Center, 170 Rd Camp Rd, Ruston, LA. He advised an inmate being housed at this location had passed away and the NLSIU (Northeast Louisiana Sheriff's Investigative Unit) had been requested to investigate.

Upon arrival, I met with Sgt. M. McLain who advised an inmate, Demerios D. Jones, had been transported by emergency medical personnel, prior to our arrival, to a local medical facility due to a medical emergency and had since passed away.

I proceeded to the secured jail cell in which Jones was being housed. There I observed a heavily soiled mattress and bed linens, from the cell's stationary bed, on the floor. A cafeteria style tray of food was also on the cell's floor and appeared to be untouched. A partial pack of crackers, what appeared to be clean clothing and a rumpled blanket were on top of the stationary metal bed frame.

Photographs were taken and the following items were logged into Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office Evidence.

SB1 09/24/2021 1521HRS
DESCRIPTION - CLOTHING
1 PAIR GRAY SWEAT PANTS
1 PAIR MEN'S BLUE UNDERWEAR
1 PAIR WHITE SOCKS
LOCATION - ATOP METAL BED FRAME, END CLOSEST TO DOORWAY

SB2 09/24/2021 1523HRS
DESCRIPTION - 1 QTY SOILED BED SHEET
LOCATION - FLOOR OF CELL

SB3 09/24/2021
CD CONTAINING PHOTOS OF JAIL CELL
LOCATION - LINCOLN PARISH DETENTION CENTER, 170 RD CAMP RD, RUSTON, LA

REPORTING OFFICER

0948 BACLE, SHARON

DATE

09/24/2021

REVIEWED BY

HOLLOWAY, EVERETT NEAD/05/2021



Quick Property Receipt



Ouachita Parish Sheriff Office
ORI Number: LA0370000

Print Date/Time: 09/27/2021 15:43
Login ID: shba0948

Entry Date/Time	Officer	Case Number	Property Code(s)	Property Type	Description	Facility	Location/Other	Tag/Item Number	BarcodeID
09/27/2021 15:28	0948 - BACLE	2021-00053759	Evidence (Non IBR)	06 Clothes/Fur	SB1 CLOTHING- 1 PAIR GRAY SWEAT PANTS 1 PAIR	Vault	01	2021-00053759/1	22286
	0948 - BACLE	2021-00053759	Evidence (Non IBR)	77 Other	MENS BLUE UNDERWEAR 1 PAIR WHITE SOCKS SB2 1 - SOILED BED SHEET	Vault	01	2021-00053759/2	22287
	0948 - BACLE	2021-00053759	Evidence (Non IBR)	27D Recordings - Cds/DVDs	CD CONTAINING PHOTOS OF SCENE 170 RD CAMP RD, RUSTON, LA	Vault	01	2021-00053759/3	22288

Submitted By Duf [Signature]

Date 9/27/21

Property Officer _____

Date _____

OUACHITA PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

OFFENSE REPORT

CASE# 2021-00053759

EVENT	REPORTED DATE/TIME 09/24/2021 13:30	OCCURRED INCIDENT TYPE Special Investigation	CASE STATUS Open Active
	OCCURRED FROM DATE/TIME 09/24/2021 13:30	OCCURRED THRU DATE/TIME 09/24/2021 13:30	LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE 170 Road Camp RD Ruston, LA

	STATUTE/DESCRIPTION	COUNTS	ATTEMPT/COMMIT
OFFENSES			

SUBJECT	JACKET/SUBJECT TYPE Adult Victim	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX) Jones, Demerious D					
	DOB 10/09/1999	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) 1014 Pecan ST Ruston, LA 71270					
	RACE Black	SEX Male	HEIGHT or RANGE	WEIGHT or RANGE	HAIR	EYE	
	DL NUMBER/STATE	PRIMARY PHONE	PHONE #2	PHONE #3			

SUBJECT	JACKET/SUBJECT TYPE Business Complainant	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX) Lincoln Parish SO,					
	DOB	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) 170 Road Camp RD Ruston, LA 71270					
	RACE	SEX	HEIGHT or RANGE	WEIGHT or RANGE	HAIR	EYE	
	DL NUMBER/STATE	PRIMARY PHONE	PHONE #2	PHONE #3			

SUBJECT	JACKET/SUBJECT TYPE	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE SUFFIX)					
	DOB	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP)					
	RACE	SEX	HEIGHT or RANGE	WEIGHT or RANGE	HAIR	EYE	
	DL NUMBER/STATE	PRIMARY PHONE	PHONE #2	PHONE #3			

REPORTING OFFICER 2010 MCLAIN, MICHAEL	DATE 09/24/2021	REVIEWED BY
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OUACHITA PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

OFFENSE REPORT

CASE# 2021-00053759

NARRATIVE

On 9/24/21, I Sgt. M. McLain with the Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office was assigned a death investigation that occurred at 170 Road Camp Rd Ruston, La at the Lincoln Parish Detention Center. The Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office had an inmate who was housed at the Lincoln Parish Detention Center pass away. Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office contacted Capt. P. Knight with the Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office, to request the incident be investigated by members of the NLSIU (Northeast Louisiana Sheriff's Investigative Unit). Capt. Knight contacted me at which time I responded to the scene to begin my investigation with the assistance of Investigator Mike Bryan with the Union Parish Sheriff's Office.

Nothing Further at this time, show this case open and under investigation. A supplemental report will follow containing the results of this investigation.

REPORTING OFFICER

2010 MCLAIN, MICHAEL

DATE

09/24/2021

REVIEWED BY

This report contains the results into the investigation of the death of Demerious Jones, who was an inmate housed at the Lincoln Parish Detention Center. The investigation was conducted by members of the NLSIU (Northeast Louisiana Sheriff's Investigative Unit), which consisted of Sgt. Mike Bryan (UPSO) and myself Sgt. Michael McLain (OPSO).

On 9/24/21 I, Sgt. McLain along with Sgt. M. Bryan responded to 170 Road Camp Rd in Lincoln Parish (Lincoln Parish Detention Center. Upon arrival we were briefed by Warden Jim Tuten. Warden Tuten advised Demerious Jones was being housed in the Lincoln Parish Detention Center due to a criminal offense that occurred in their parish. Warden Tuten advised Jones was discovered unresponsive in his cell by LPDC Personnel. Warden Tuten stated life saving measures was administered to Jones by on staff LPDC personnel while awaiting the arrival of Ruston Fire Department. Jones was later transported to the Northern Louisiana Medical Center for further medical assistance. Shortly after arrival, Jones was pronounced deceased.

While at LPDC CPI. Sharon Bacle with OPSO's Crime Scene Unit, arrival and processed the scene where Jones was being housed. A copy of Bacle's report along with items removed as evidence is attached to this case file.

I secured written statements from all LPDC personnel that responded to the scene to assist in supplying medical aid to Jones. I also secured a copy of LPDC's medical paperwork pertaining to the treatment of Jones while under their care. A copy of the medical paperwork is also attached to this case.

While on scene I was advised Jones is known at LPDC due to him being a repeat offender and being housed at LPDC on numerous occasions. I was advised Jones is a diabetic who frequently neglects his health.

Jennifer Plunkett who is a registered LPN at LPDC stated in her report at approximately 530 am on 9/24/21, she made contact with Jones in his cell in attempt to check his blood sugar. Plunkett advised Jones refused to sit up to allow his blood sugar to be checked. Jennifer further stated she was advised by the night shift, Jones had refused to take his medication. Jennifer was able to check

Jones's sugar levels which yielded a result of 184 and a pulse ox of 99%. Jennifer advised she continued to perform a visual check on Jones for the next few hours, noting each time he has moved to a new position in his cell. Jennifer stated at approximately noon she checked Jones's sugar level again with the assistance to two other officers. Jennifer advised Jones's sugar check yielded a result of 500. Jennifer administered 7 units of R insulin Sub Q to help reduce his blood sugar. Jennifer advised after 45 minute waiting period, she returned to check on Jones and discovered Jones was lying on his back unresponsive and not breathing. Jennifer advised she along with several other officers began CPR until EMS arrival and later transported Jones to the hospital. (A copy of Jennifer's written statement is attached to this report.)

I also secured written statements from Deputies Johnaton Gainous, Joyce Jackson, Andria Smith, D. Powell, Capt. Randy Williams, and Deputy Warden Sara Knox in relation to their involved in this investigation. (Their written statements are attached to this case.)

I was able to secure a copy of the surveillance footage from Jones's holding cell for review.

Upon reviewing the surveillance footage I observed the following. On 9/23/21 at approximately 0800 hrs, Jones was placed in his holding cell and left on his bed. At approximately 0816, deputies returned to Jones's cell and assisted him in moving his mattress to the floor. Over the next few hours Jones remained on the floor and was observed on his own, using his cup to drink water from the toilet. At approximately 1223 hrs, Jones was brought a tray of food it appeared Jones refused to eat the food when offered by the deputies. The food tray was left on Jones's bed and remained untouched. During this time Jones would move around on the floor and shift his position. At approximately 1459 hrs, deputies entered Jones's cell for a medical checkup. The deputies assisted Jones in drinking and attempted to have him eat some food. At approximately 1543 hrs, Jones was brought another tray of food which he ignored. Over the next several hours Jones remained on the floor and continued to shift his positions and would prop up on his elbow and hands for time to time. On the following morning of 9/24/21, Jones

was still on the floor and appeared to vomit on himself. During this time I did observe deputies visually observe Jones by either opening the door or looking through the window. At approximately 0557 hrs. Nurse Jennifer entered the room and conducted a sugar test on Jones which she noted in her report. Jones remained on the floor but would continue to move around. At approximately 0726, Jones appeared to vomit again. Over the next few hours I observed Deputies to randomly check on Jones in which he appeared to communicate back with the deputy. At approximately 1158 hrs, Nurse Jennifer entered Jones's cell and performed a sugar test and later administered the insulin she noted. At approximately 1233 hours Jones appeared to take several distressed breaths after which I could not detect any movement via the footage. At approximately 1247, a deputy entered with Nurse Jennifer. They were observed checking for a pulse at which point Jones was pulled out from under the bed and CPR was begun. CPR was continued by LPDC deputies until Lincoln Fire arrived on scene. Jones was loaded up and removed from the room at approximately 1302 hrs. (A copy of the footage is attached to this report for further review.)

Sgt. M. Bryan later secured a search warrant for Jones medical records from the Northern Louisiana Medical Center. Bryan secured a copy of Jones's medical records at which time they were turned over to me. A review of the medical record I observed showed several times over the last year Jones received medical treatment at Northern Louisiana Medical Center for this health conditions. (The medical records are attached to this case file for further review.

On 1/4/22 I, Sgt. M. McLain secured a copy of the Jones's autopsy from Sgt. Matt Henderson from Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office. The autopsy was conducted on 9/25/21 by Dy. Frank Peretti.

Dr. Peretti noted in his report Jones's cause of death was due to Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease with a contributing factor of Diabetic Ketosis. Dr. Pretti noted he didn't find any signs of truma. He did note a finding of elevated urea nitrogen and creatinine consistent with chronic renal disease due to diabetes. (A copy of the autopsy and toxic report is attached to this case file.

After review of all evidence related to this incident, I have not been able to determine any criminal act. I am requesting further review by the Lincoln Parish District Attorney's Office for final review.

On Friday, September 24, 2021 at approximately 13:30 hours, Sgt. Michael McLain, who is a Detective with the Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Office (OPSO), and I, Sgt. Mike Bryan (Detective with Union Parish Sheriff's Office (UPSO)), were dispatched to the Lincoln Parish Detention Center (LPDC) as part of the Northeast Louisiana Sheriff's Investigative Unit Task Force (NLSIU) to assist with an investigation into the in-custody death of an inmate identified as Derious D. Jones, B/M, DOB 10/07/1999.

According to information obtained during our investigation, on the date Jones was booked into the LPDC, his blood sugar was elevated and he was placed on a sliding scale Insulin regimen for the purpose of attempting to bring his blood sugar to a normal level. We also learned during our investigation that Jones had a history of mental illness and was known to rub feces and urine on his body. Due to this, we were advised that Jones was placed in a single person cell to ensure his safety while in the custody of the LPDC.

On September 24, 2021, a member of the nursing staff at LPDC conducted a check on Jones and determined that his blood sugar was elevated once again. Upon discovering this, the nurse administered an insulin shot to Jones and then left to conduct more checkups, coming back approximately 30 minutes later to check on Jones. Upon entering the cell to check on Jones, it was discovered that Jones appeared to be pulseless and apneic, and once this was confirmed, LPDC personnel began conducting life saving measures on Jones. These life saving measures were continued until the arrival of Ruston Fire Department (RFD), and all life saving measures was then transferred to them, and RFD transported Jones to the North Louisiana Medical Center (NLMC) for further life saving measures. The above information was confirmed through video evidence obtained from LPDC personnel.

Further investigation showed that RFD was dispatched to LPDC at approximately 12:40 hours, was enroute at approximately 12:42 hours, arrived at LPDC at approximately 12:46 hours, was enroute to NLMC at approximately 12:59 hours, and arrived at NLMC at approximately 13:07 hours. Jones was pronounced deceased a short time later.

During our investigation, we learned from LPDC personnel that Jones had a history of non-compliance as it pertained to his treatment regimen for his diabetes. We also reviewed video evidence of the time period prior to and during the time Jones was found unresponsive in his cell, and the video evidence was consistent with the information obtained during the investigation.

As part of this on going investigation, I prepared a search warrant requesting medical records for Jones dating from September 24, 2021 to two years prior to this date for the purpose of reviewing those records to determine his previous medical history, as well any prescription medication prescribed to Jones, and any significant finding on the date of death. After approval by Judge Bruce Hampton, this search warrant was executed at NLMC and the medical records were forwarded to me. Once I was in possession of the requested records, they were given to Sgt. McLane, who is the assigned lead investigator in this matter.

Sgt. McLain and I were sworn in as Reserve Deputies with the Lincoln Parish Sheriff's Office for the purpose of being able to conduct this investigation within the full scope of our duties. Jones' body was sent for autopsy to determine cause of death.

Det. Sgt. Mike Bryan
Union Parish Sheriff's Office

From: Atkins, Sonya sonyaatkins@unionsheriff.com

Subject: FW:

Date: Jan 6, 2022 at 8:09:16 AM

To: Michael Mclain Michael.Mclain@opso.net

From: Atkins, Sonya

Sent: Wednesday, January 5, 2022 10:38 AM

To: michael.mclain@opso.net

Subject:

From Det. Mike Bryan at UPSO

UPDATES TO FILE

On 2-2-22 I spoke by telephone to
SGT. Todd Michael McClain.

He informed me he had spoken to
LPDC nurse.

- THE "R" ENTRY ON THE MED/ADM SHEET
AT 14:00 HRS ON 9-24-22 IS NUMBER
ERROR. IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN A "0"

Hemostatic IS ACCEPTABLE TO WAIT 45 MINS

AFTER ADMINISTERING INSULIN SUB Q
TO CHECK IN ORDER TO GIVE IT TIME
TO WORK

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2-1-22