Record of Death

Provided by South Carolina Department of Corrections, February 1, 2022

Name: GAHAGAN, KENNETH THOMAS

SCDC#: 333451

Sex: M

Race/ethnicity: Black or African American, not of Hispanic origin

Date of birth: 6/29/1985

Date of commitment: 2/8/2012

Date of death: 3/29/2018

Cause of death: Suicide

Assigned institution: TURBEVILLE

Death location: TURBEVILLE

DIVISION OF COMPLIANCE, STANDARDS, AND INSPECTIONS
SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
REPORT OF INMATE DEATH

(Sections 24-9-35 and 17-7-10, South Carolina Code of Laws)
(Standards 1047 and 1049, Minimum Standards for Local Detention Facilities in South Carolina)
(SCDC Policies/Procedures HS-18.04 and PS-10.05)

1. FACILITY: Turbeville Correctional Institution
2. NAME OF DECEASED: Kenneth Thomas Gahagan SCDC# 333451
3. HOME ADDRESS [redacted]
4. DESCRIPTION: DOB [redacted] HEIGHT 6' WEIGHT 125 lbs HAIR Black
   EYES Brown SEX Male RACE Black SOC SEC [redacted]
5. ARRESTING OFFENSE(S): Lewd Act on a Child Under 16
   SENTENCED ☑ PRETRIAL ☐
6. DATE AND TIME OF COMMITMENT: Entered SCDC 2-8-12
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF RELATIVE(S) OF THE DECEASED CONTACTED: [redacted]
8. RECORD OF DECEASED INMATE'S PHYSICAL CONDITION UPON ADMISSION: [redacted]
9. CAUSE OF DEATH: Suicidal Strangulation(hanging)-Official Autopsy results pending.
10. TIME AND DATE OF DEATH: ____ a.m. 2:49 p.m. 29th day March month 2018 year
11. NAME OF DOCTOR WHO PRONOUNCED DEATH: Dr. Eric Wernsman, Palmetto Health Tuomey, Sumter S.C.
12. NAME OF CORONER WHO ORDERED AUTOPSY: Bucky Mock, Clarendon County Asst. Coroner
13. AUTOPSY PERFORMED BY: Newberry Pathology and Associates, 185 Executive Drive, Newberry, S.C. 29108
14. NAME OF PERSON DISCOVERING DECEASED, TIME DISCOVERED, AND LOCATION WITHIN FACILITY: Officer Charity Jackson at approximately 1:50 p.m. on Seloc B Wing cell #183.
15. AT THE TIME OF DEATH: 1043 (Actual Count) 35 (# of Officers on Duty)
16. WHEN INMATE WAS LAST SEEN ALIVE: At approximately 2:17 p.m. as inmate was exiting institution via EMS.

NOTIFY BY TELEPHONE AT: (803) 896-8502

MAIL OR DELIVER REPORT TO:

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A/Warden C. Reed

SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL MAKING REPORT

Associate Warden for Operations

TYPED OR PRINTED TITLE OF OFFICIAL

March 30, 2018

DATE OF REPORT

SCDC 8-2 (Revised July 1, 2011)