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: Spartanburg County Detention Facility- 950 California Ave.; Spartanburg, SC 29303

2. NAME OF DECEASED: Smith, Rodney Allan SCDC# _____

3. HOME ADDRESS: Homeless

4. DESCRIPTION: DOB 06/23/ _____ HEIGHT 6'4" WEIGHT 200 lbs HAIR Bald

   EYES Green SEX Male RACE White SOC SEC # _____

5. ARRESTING OFFENSE(S): Violation Of Probation

   _____ SENTENCED ☐ PRETRIAL ☒

6. DATE AND TIME OF COMMITMENT: 1435 Hours 10/03/19

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF RELATIVE(S) OF THE DECEASED CONTACTED: Barabara Spencer

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8. RECORD OF DECEASED INMATE'S PHYSICAL CONDITION UPON ADMISSION: Has a history of PSTD, Bipolar Effective Disorder, Antisocial Disorder, and Stimulant Misuse Disorder.

9. CAUSE OF DEATH: Unknown , Autopsy results pending

10. TIME AND DATE OF DEATH: 0758 a.m. _____ p.m. Sunday day February month 2020 year

11. NAME OF DOCTOR WHO PRONOUNCED DEATH: Dr. John Falcon

12. NAME OF CORONER WHO ORDERED AUTOPSY: Rusty Clevenger

13. AUTOPSY PERFORMED BY: Dr. John Wren

14. NAME OF PERSON DISCOVERING DECEASED, TIME DISCOVERED, AND LOCATION WITHIN FACILITY: Deputy Mendes fed Mr. Smith at approximately 0440 hours on 23 February and Deputy Atkins dicovered Mr. Smith unresponsive at headcount at Approximately 0700 hours on 23 February 2020.

15. AT THE TIME OF DEATH: 770 (Actual Count) 51 (# of Officers on Duty)

16. WHEN INMATE WAS LAST SEEN ALIVE: At approximately 0440 on 23 February 2020

NOTIFY BY TELEPHONE AT: (803) 896-8502

MAIL OR DELIVER REPORT TO:

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NEWS

Spartanburg man dies in county jail



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A Spartanburg man has died while in custody of the Spartanburg County Detention Center.

Rodney Allan Smith, 41, was pronounced dead at Spartanburg Medical Center on Sunday, according to a statement from the Spartanburg County Coroner's Office. Smith had been incarcerated at the jail since October 2019.

The Coroner's Office said a forensic autopsy was performed Monday, along with toxicological analysis. However, the Coroner's Office said it did not find any trauma to the body.

The County Coroner's Office, Spartanburg County Sheriff's Office and the S.C. Law Enforcement Division are conducting an investigation into the death.