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Re: Public Records Request/Death in Custody
Our file no.: 4122-007

Dear Ms. [redacted]:

Our office represents St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff's Office regarding the Public Records Request received on October 11, 2023, requesting the following:

> Individual and summary data and/or completed forms concerning deaths in custody for individuals in your legal custody from August 30, 2022, to present submitted to any of the following agencies:
> • the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics;
> • the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance;
> • the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement;
> • the U.S. Census Bureau;
> • the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections;
> • any Louisiana coroner's office
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> Forms submitted may include, but are not limited to:
> • NPS-4, NPS-4A, CJ-9, CJ-9A, CJ-14, CJ-15, C-05-001-X forms;
> • "Death In Custody Reporting Act" form;
> • "Standardized Death Report Format" form;
> • OR information submitted, emailed, or uploaded to the following websites: https://ojpsso.ojp.gov; https://bjapmt.ojp.gov; https://lclelsac.com/deathincustody/

RESPONSE: The only in-custody death that occurred in the timeframe provided is the death of Willie McGee Jr. on July 16, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, or need additional information, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

s/Kristin M. Barone

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Gerry A. Cvitanovich, M.D.
Coroner

Jefferson Parish Forensic Center
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Accredited by the
National Association of
Medical Examiners

Patient: McGee Jr., Willie
Address: PO Box 2734
Reserve, LA 70084

Case: 353-23-SJ
DOB: 10/01/1973
Race: African American / Black
Sex: Male
Age: 49 years

Date of Death:	On 07/16/2023
Time of Death:	Approximately 23:47
Date of Exam:	07/17/2023
Time of Exam:	11:15
Seal Number:	275413
Pathologist:	Randall Bissessar, M.D.
Authorized By:	Christy Montegut, M.D., Coroner St. John the Baptist Parish
Autopsy Assistant(s):	Antoni Cutura, Dwana Bailey

Forensic Examination Report

FINDINGS

I. Hypertensive cardiovascular disease
   A. Biventricular hypertrophy
   B. Scarring of left ventricle (old myocardial infarction)
   C. Thrombus in left ventricle
II. Toxicology.
   A. Hydrocodone (5.5 ng/mL) detected in postmortem blood by High Performance Liquid Chromatography/Tandem Mass Spectrometry.
   B. No ethanol detected in postmortem blood or vitreous fluid by Gas Chromatography.

SUMMARY

It is my opinion that Willie McGee, a 49-year-old male, died as a result of hypertensive cardiovascular disease with old myocardial infarction and left ventricular thrombus. The manner of death is best classified as natural.