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Press Release

Investigation into Death of Inmate at Camden County Correctional Facility

Camden, NJ – Camden County Prosecutor Grace C. MacAulay has issued the following public statement regarding an investigation that is being conducted into the death of an inmate at the Camden County Correctional Facility.

On Friday, September 19, 2025, at approximately 11:45 p.m., the Camden County Prosecutor's Office was notified of an in-custody death at the Camden County Correctional Facility. The decedent was identified as Shawn Lichtfuss, 53, of Voorhees Township. At approximately 11:18 p.m., Lichtfuss was found unresponsive in his cell during a cell check by officers from the Camden County Department of Corrections. Emergency medical personnel responded and attempted life-saving measures. Lichtfuss was ultimately pronounced deceased via telemetry at approximately 11:39 p.m.

Pursuant to Attorney General Directive 2019-4, the Attorney General's Office of Public Integrity and Accountability was notified and the Camden County Prosecutor's Office was designated as the independent investigator under the supervision of the Office of Public Integrity and Accountability for this death in-custody not involving the use of force. Additionally, the Camden County Prosecutor's Office will submit the investigation to the Attorney General's Office for review.

The Camden County Prosecutor's Office Special Prosecutions Unit responded to the jail and conducted the investigation with the cooperation of the Camden County Department of Corrections.

A post-mortem examination was conducted on Monday, September 22, 2025, by the Gloucester-Camden-Salem County Medical Examiner's Office. The medical examiner who conducted the autopsy listed the cause of death on the death certificate to be asphyxia and the manner of death to be suicide.

Lichtfuss was convicted by a jury on Thursday, September 18, 2025, for first-degree Murder in the death of his wife.

No further information will be released at this time.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Senior Detective Christopher Leone of the Camden County Prosecutor's Office Special Prosecutions Unit at (856) 580-6054. Tips may also be sent to CAMDEN.TIPS.

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