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Inmate Dies After Being Taken to Grady Memorial Hospital

Atlanta, GA – Fulton County inmate Samuel Lawrence, age 34, was found by a detention officer unresponsive in his cell on August 26, 2023, at approximately 4:20 p.m. during dinner rounds. Lawrence was taken to Grady Memorial Hospital, where he was pronounced deceased.

The Atlanta Police Department will conduct a death investigation and the Fulton County Medical Examiner's Office will perform an autopsy to determine the cause and manner of death.

Lawrence was arrested by the Atlanta Police Department and booked at the Rice Street Jail on December 26, 2022 for 2nd Degree Arson. Lawrence was being held on a \$30,000 bond.

ABOUT THE FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE: The mission of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is Service; through laser-focused efforts to protect the citizens of Fulton County with coordinated law enforcement operations, special strategic teams, and community outreach methods. The Sheriff's Office is constitutionally responsible for the security of all courtrooms, executing arrest warrants, and serving civil papers. In addition, the Sheriff's Office is responsible for the administration and operation of the Fulton County Jail.