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Inmate Death at USP Coleman II

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Thursday, January 20, 2022, inmate Roger Edward Picard was found unresponsive at the United States Penitentiary (USP) Coleman II in Sumterville, Florida. Responding staff immediately initiated life-saving measures. Staff requested emergency medical services (EMS) and life-saving efforts continued. Subsequently, Mr. Picard, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by EMS personnel. Mr. Picard tested positive for COVID-19 post-mortem.

Mr. Picard was a 70-year-old male who was sentenced in the District of Maine to a 24-month sentence for a Supervised Release Violation. His original conviction was for Failing to Register as a Sex Offender. He had been in custody at the Federal Correctional Complex Coleman since October 7, 2021.

USP Coleman II is a high security facility and currently houses 1,158 male offenders.

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