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**Inmate Death at FMC Butner**

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Wednesday, July 8, 2020, inmate Louis Allen Rector tested positive for COVID-19 and was placed in medical isolation at the Federal Medical Center (FMC) Butner, in Butner, North Carolina. On Friday, August 28, 2020, Mr. Rector was transported to a local hospital for treatment and further evaluation for a lower gastrointestinal bleed. On September 9, 2020, he was transferred to the Comfort Care Unit at the FMC. On Thursday, November 12, 2020, Mr. Rector, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by outside hospital medical staff.

Mr. Rector was a 62-year-old male who was sentenced in the Southern District of Texas to a 60-month sentence for Attempt and Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute More Than 500 Grams of Methamphetamine. He had been in custody at the Federal Correctional Complex (FCC) Butner since July 8, 2020.

FMC Butner is an Administrative security facility that currently houses 802 male offenders.

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