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Inmate Death at USP Florence

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Tuesday, February 23, 2021, inmate Curtis Horne was found unresponsive at the United States Penitentiary (USP) Florence in Florence, Colorado. Responding staff immediately initiated life-saving measures. Staff requested emergency medical services (EMS) and life-saving efforts continued. Mr. Horne was transported by EMS to a local hospital. Subsequently on the same day, Mr. Horne, 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 hospital staff. Mr. Horne tested positive for COVID-19 (post-mortem).

Mr. Horne was a 59-year-old male who was sentenced in the Eastern District of Michigan, the District of South Carolina, and the Middle District of Florida to an 86 year, 2 month, aggregated sentence for Bank Robbery, Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, Transporting a Stolen Weapon/Interstate Commerce, Transportation of Stolen Motor Vehicle, Carrying a Firearm in Relation to a Crime of Violence, Robbery, Assault, Use of a Firearm in Commission of a Felony, and Escape. He had been in custody at USP Florence since November 12, 2020.

USP Florence is a high security facility that currently houses 739 male offenders.

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