U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)

Detainee Death Report: SANCHEZ Dominguez, Heber

Immigration History

Mr. Sanchez Dominguez, a 34-year-old male citizen of Mexico, was encountered by the ERO Atlanta Field Office on January 7, 2026, following his arrest by Richmond County Jail for driving without a license. On January 9, 2026, he was transported to the ERO Atlanta Field Office for processing. On January 11, 2026, Mr. Sanchez Dominguez was transferred to the Robert A. Deyton Detention Facility (RADDF) in Lovejoy, Georgia, pending removal proceedings.

Synopsis of Events

On January 11, 2026, RADDF registered nurse completed Mr. Dominguez's intake screening and health assessment in Spanish, documenting his denial of medication use, medical and mental health issues, and suicidal or homicidal ideations. He was cleared for general population with normal vital signs.

On January 14, 2026, at approximately 2:03 a.m., a housing unit officer found Mr. Dominguez with a ligature around his neck, tied to the bunk in his cell, and activated a medical emergency. Custody staff removed the ligature and moved him to the floor. At 2:05 a.m., two nurses arrived, found him unresponsive, pulseless and breathless, applied AED pads (no shock advised), and began CPR. At 2:08 a.m., staff contacted EMS and transferred Mr. SANCHEZ to the medical department with CPR ongoing. EMS arrived at 2:20 a.m., assumed care, and transferred him to Piedmont Henry Hospital at 2:52 a.m. At 3:09 a.m., a hospital emergency room physician pronounced Mr. Dominguez deceased.