



**Commission of  
Correction**

**Final Report of the  
New York State Commission of Correction:**

**In the Matter of the Death of**

**Cedric Darrett (99A6869),  
an incarcerated individual of the  
Green Haven Correctional Facility**

**March 26, 2025**

**To: Honorable Daniel F. Martuscello, III  
Commissioner  
NYS Department of Corrections  
And Community Supervision  
The Harriman State Campus  
1220 Washington Avenue  
Albany, New York 12226**

**Allen Riley**  
*Chairman*

**Yolanda Canty**  
*Commissioner*

**Elizabeth Gaynes**  
*Commissioner*

GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, the Medical Review Board has reported to the NYS Commission of Correction pursuant to Correction Law, section 47(1)(d), regarding the death of Cedric Darrett, who died on March 27, 2022, while an incarcerated individual in the custody of the NYS Department of Corrections and Community Supervision at the Green Haven Correctional Facility, the Commission has determined that the following final report be issued.

FINDINGS:

1. Cedric Darrett was a 56-year-old male who died on 3/27/22 from Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease, Asthma, and MDMB-4EN-PINACA (synthetic marijuana) intoxication while in the custody of the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (NYS DOCCS) while at the Green Haven Correctional Facility (CF).
2. [REDACTED] In the instant offense, in 1997, in concert with another, Darrett caused the death of a male by shooting him with a gun for \$2,000. In 1999, Darrett was convicted of Murder 1<sup>st</sup> Degree and sentenced to life in prison.
3. [REDACTED]
4. [REDACTED]
5. On 9/10/21, Darrett transferred to Green Haven CF. [REDACTED]
6. [REDACTED]
7. [REDACTED]
8. [REDACTED]

9. [REDACTED]

10. [REDACTED]

11. [REDACTED]

12. [REDACTED]

13. [REDACTED]

14. Darrett was housed in general population in G Block. His last infraction was on 6/1/21 for alcohol/intox. Darrett had no unusual incidents on file. Darrett was not in any programs at the time of the terminal event.

15. On 3/27/22 at 5:50 a.m., while conducting a security tour on G block, Corrections Officer (CO) M.J. found Darrett in his cell lying on his back on his bunk unresponsive. CO M.J. was unable to get a response from Darrett and activated a medical response. Nasal Narcan was administered by corrections staff without the desired effect. Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) was initiated. The Automated External Defibrillator (AED) was applied by CO S.R. without any shock advised. RN L.C. arrived

[REDACTED]

ACTIONS REQUIRED:

That this case be closed as an accidental overdose.

WITNESS, HONORABLE YOLANDA CANTY, Commissioner, NYS Commission of Correction, Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, 80 South Swan Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, in the City of Albany, New York 12210 on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.



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Yolanda Canty  
Commissioner  
Commission of Correction

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cc: Dr. Carol Moores, Deputy Commissioner Chief Medical Officer  
James Donahue, Associate Commissioner of Mental Health  
Superintendent Mark Miller, Green Haven CF