

Death Investigations Suspected of Being a Homicide
2025

Correctional Services Article, Section 9-602.1

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RE: Report Required by the Correctional Services Article, 9-602.1. (MSAR# 15263)

Pursuant to Section 9-602.1 of the Correctional Services Article, the Maryland Department of State Police (MDSP) submits to you the number of investigations completed by the Department of State Police relating to the death of an incarcerated individual suspected to be a homicide that occurs while the incarcerated individual is in the custody of the Division of Correction. Additionally, the MDSP submits to you the number of cases referred for prosecution following these completed investigations. The information below represents the following time frame, January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

The MDSP completed thirteen homicide investigations that occurred within the Division of Correction and its facilities. In each of these cases, the victim was incarcerated within the Division of Correction. In regards to prosecution, ten of the homicide investigations were referred to the local State's Attorney's Office and prosecuted criminally. Three of the investigations remain open and are expected to be criminally charged in the near future.

In addition to its required submission to the Governor's Office and to the General Assembly, this information has been posted on the Department's website at <https://mdsp.maryland.gov/about-us/archive-documents-reports-and-plans#legislative-reports::~:~:text=PDF%20%2D%20484.64%20KB-,Legislative%20Reports,->

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Should you or any member of the committees have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office by telephone at 410-653-4219 or by email at msh.superintendent@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "MJ", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Colonel Michael A. Jackson
Superintendent

cc: Ms. Sarah Albert, Maryland Department of Legislative Services Library (5 copies)