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ATTORNEY GENERAL

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VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Chief Mark Keel
South Carolina Law Enforcement Division
P.O. Box 21398
Columbia, SC 29221-1398

Re: Spartanburg County Detention Center
In-Custody Death of Lavell Lane
SLED Case #34-22-0142

Dear Chief Keel:

Our office received the above referenced case on February 13, 2023. Please be advised the investigative file you forwarded to this office regarding the above-captioned matter has been reviewed. The material your investigation has provided is sufficient for us to evaluate this case.

Upon review of this file, it is my legal opinion that the evidence does not contradict the autopsy finding that the inmate died naturally of neuroleptic malignant syndrome. As such, we are not recommending initiation of criminal charges and returning the case file to your office. Should you have any questions or want to discuss this matter further, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jerrod B. Fussnecker
Assistant Attorney General