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Reference: Media Inquiries into In-Custody Death in Saline County Jail on 01-26-2016

On January 25, 2016, at 5:26 p.m., Salina Police Department officers were dispatched to a report of a disturbance in the 2000 block of Norton Street, Salina, Kansas. When officers arrived, they located a woman with injuries. Officers arrested 50 year-old Scott A. Brunson on the allegations of domestic battery and resisting arrest. Brunson was transported to the Saline County Jail.

Once at the jail, Brunson was allegedly involved in an altercation with jail staff. Two Saline County Sheriff's Office deputies were injured in the altercation. Brunson and both deputies were transported to Salina Regional Health Center. Brunson was pronounced dead in the early morning hours of 01-26-2016. One of the deputies was treated and released, and the other was kept for treatment and observation.

The Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) is conducting an investigation into the in-custody death. For the sanctity of the investigation, the KBI will be releasing no further information until the investigation is complete and has been reviewed by the Saline County Attorney's Office.

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