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PRESS RELEASE

Inmate Death – Richard O. Parker

On Wednesday, April 25, 2018, a 72-year-old inmate housed at the James T. Vaughn Correctional Center (JTVCC) in Smyrna passed away. Richard O. Parker (DOB 08/03/1945) was pronounced dead at 5:46 a.m. His family has been notified.

Parker, of Edgemoor, Delaware, was serving a life sentence plus 56 years for Attempted Rape, Violation of Parole, 1st Degree Robbery, Attempted 2nd Degree Sodomy, 2nd Degree Conspiracy, and Possession of a Deadly Weapon by a Person Prohibited. His sentence effective date was 01/14/1974.

Parker's body was turned over to the State Division of Forensic Science, as is standard procedure.

Foul play is not suspected.

If you are a crime victim in need of assistance, you are encouraged to call DOC Victim Services at 302.857.5440.

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