



**VERDICT AT CORONERS INQUEST**

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AS A RESULT OF THE CORONER'S INQUEST PURSUANT TO SECTION 38 OF THE CORONERS ACT, [SBC 2007] C 15, INTO THE DEATH OF

**WOODS**

SURNAME

**Naverone Christian Landon**

GIVEN NAMES

An Inquest was held at Coroners Court, in the municipality of Burnaby

in the Province of British Columbia, on the following dates March 20-22, 2017

before: Brynne Redford, Presiding Coroner.

into the death of WOODS Naverone Christian Landon 23  Male  Female  
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Name) (Age)

The following findings were made:

Date and Time of Death: 28 December 2014 09:25

Place of Death: Royal Columbian Hospital New Westminster, BC  
(Location) (Municipality/Province)

Medical Cause of Death:

(1) Immediate Cause of Death: a) Stab and gunshot wounds to the right arm and torso

Due to or as a consequence of

Antecedent Cause if any:

b)

Due to or as a consequence of

Giving rise to the immediate cause (a) above, stating underlying cause last.

c)

(2) Other Significant Conditions Contributing to Death:

Classification of Death:  Accidental  Homicide  Natural  Suicide  Undetermined

The above verdict certified by the Jury on the 22nd day of March AD, 2017

Brynne Redford

Presiding Coroner's Printed Name

Presiding Coroner's Signature



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*Pursuant to Section 38 of the Coroners Act, the following recommendations are forwarded to the Chief Coroner of the Province of British Columbia for distribution to the appropriate agency:*

### **JURY RECOMMENDATIONS:**

To: The South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Police Service or "Transit Police"

1. Review the circumstances of Mr. Woods' death with an eye towards identifying learning opportunities and preventing future deaths in similar circumstances.
2. Implement a program similar to the Car 67 program in use by the RCMP to be available as a resource at all times by all transit staff. Consideration may be given to sharing the program and making it available to both agencies.

To: TransLink and Coast Mountain Bus Company

1. Implement training scenarios for bus drivers, security staff and all personnel to have training in dealing with members of the public with mental health issues, intoxication issues, etc. and be trained in how to access emergency personnel quickly;
2. Ensure transit personnel have direct access to 911 (i.e. a 'panic' button);
3. Explore options for a direct communication channel between transit operators.

To: The Ballistics Lab Providing Service to the Independent Investigations Office

1. Expedite ballistics results for police involved shootings to complete reports within 90 days to the IIO and other authorities.

To: Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General of BC

1. Develop a common language and terms of reference that are used by all police and associated agencies for identification and understanding of how to respond to critical incidents.

To: Ministry of Health, Province of BC

1. Provide education through advertising to inform and educate the public and families on how to recognize signs and symptoms of mental health issues and drug and alcohol addiction problems as well as available resources and assistance programs.