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Grand Jury Clears Tecumseh Prison Officials

(KLZA)--A Johnson County grand jury has cleared prison officials in the deaths of two inmates at the Tecumseh Correctional Institution during a riot in 2015.

The Lincoln General Star reports the jury issued its ruling on April 19th.

Prosecutors have not charged anyone in the deaths of Shon Collins and Donald Peacock at this time. Both men were 46 years of age and were serving time on sexual assault charges.

The two men were found by prison staff members late May 10th or early May 11th once prison officials regained control. The two men died of blunt force trauma to their heads, presumably beaten to death by other inmates.

Collins mother filed a wrongful death claim against the state earlier this year, alleging prison employees and administrators were responsible because they failed to contain, control or stop the 11-hour riot.

More than 400 inmates were allegedly involved in the riot. Several other inmates and employees were injured.

More than \$2-million in damage was done to the facility during the riot.

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