MINISTRY OF MAGIC

Department of Magical Coroner Services St. Mungo's Hospital for Magical Maladies and Injuries

OFFICIAL CORONER'S REPORT

Case Number: MT-2487
Subject: Augustus Thornwick
Date of Examination: Current Date

Examining Coroner: Cornelius Fudwick, Chief Magical Coroner

RE: Augustus Thornwick - Case #MT-2487

Initial assessment of Widow's Bane poisoning has been overturned following comprehensive magical examination of the deceased.

REVISED FINDINGS:

Victim died from delayed-action curse, not poison. Magical trace analysis reveals residual dark magic consistent with cardiac arrest curse (Cordis Cessare variant). The crimson coloration of the beverage was determined to be cosmetic in nature, achieved through color-changing charm rather than actual poison.

TIME PARAMETERS:

Time between curse casting and effect: approximately 15 minutes.

The precision of this timing suggests the use of advanced temporal magic, specifically a delay mechanism applied prior to the lethal curse.

CONCLUSION:

Death by magical means - delayed cardiac arrest curse. Further investigation required to identify perpetrator with access to advanced temporal spellwork.

Cornelius Fudwick

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