

PRESS RELEASE

MS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS*723 N. PRESIDENT ST.*JACKSON, MS 39202*(601)359-5600*(FAX: 5624)

Date: Dec. 5, 2001 Contact: Ken Jones Phone: (601) 359-5608

Fax: (601) 359-5624

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STATE INMATE DIES OF NATURAL CAUSES AT NORTHWEST REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Parchman...State Inmate Walter Coker # **T3861** died of natural causes at the Northwest Regional Medical Center on Monday, December 4. Inmate Coker, a 58-year-old black male, was sentenced from Montgomery County in June of 2000 and was serving five years for aggravated assault. Inmate Coker's body was transferred to Jackson where an autopsy will be performed in accordance with state law to determine the exact cause of death.