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Supreme Court: Family Can't Sue Over Detainee's Death

The Supreme Court has unanimously ruled that federal health officials can not be sued over the death of an immigrant who died after being denied medical care while in immigrant detention. The case centers on the treatment of Francisco Castaneda, an immigrant from El Salvador. Castaneda was held in detention for 11 months and repeatedly requested a biopsy of his groin but doctors with the U.S. Public Health Service refused the procedure. He later died at the age of 36.

Gabriel Eber of the American Civil Liberties Union said: "With today's decision, the Supreme Court has unfortunately closed the door on an important avenue of accountability for the gross mistreatment that immigration detainees across the country have suffered."