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# NEWS RELEASE: HELP NEEDED IN CORONER'S CASES OF UNIDENTIFIED MAN

## After two decades, identity of man is still unknown

The Sacramento County Coroner's Office is seeking help from the media in generating attention for a case in which the identity of a white male found nearly twenty years still cannot be determined. Traditional forensics could not lead to a positive identification. Barbara Anderson, the forensic artist used by the Sacramento Police Department, has recently completed an excellent sketch of how we believe the man looked.

The man, discovered on July 18, 1985 in downtown Sacramento, had several distinguishing tattoos that Sacramento County Coroner Robert Lyons hopes will lead to a positive identification. "Twenty years is a very long time, but we believe a friend, neighbor, or relative might remember or has been searching for him," Lyons said.

We appreciate any help you can provide in publicizing the sketch and summary of this case in order to help us find anyone who might have information. Sketch is attached.

### Case summary:

The victim was discovered on July 18, 1985 in a vacant field at the corner of 16<sup>th</sup> and E Streets in Sacramento, California.

#### Vital Statistics-

• Estimated Age: 38-48 years old

• Approximate Height: 6'1"

Approximate Weight: 167 pounds

- Distinguishing Characteristics:
  - o Dark brown hair, moustache, and goatee
  - $\circ\quad$  The victim was missing all of his teeth
  - Blue dice tattoo encircling the right wrist
  - o Faded blue tattoo on the right forearm
  - o Faded blue and green tattoo on the left forearm
  - o Faded blue tattoo on the right hand

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- Clothing:
  - Black nylon jacket with maroon lining
  - o Green and white wool plaid shirt
  - Brown cord pants
  - Black belt
  - Argyle socks
  - Black size 9 ½ zippered boots
- Jewelry:
  - Yellow metal Geneva watch
  - Yellow and white metal ring with clear stones found in pocket on a watch chain
  - Medic-alert necklace inscribed with "EPILEPSY"

Anyone with information about the identity of this subject should call the Sacramento County Coroner's Office at 874-9320.

Details and sketches of two other cases recently released by the Coroner generated several possible leads but no positive identifications were made. Information about these cases can be found on the Sacramento County Coroner web page at <a href="https://www.coroner.saccounty.net/">www.coroner.saccounty.net/</a>.

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