

Reno Police Department

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08-2844**

Update: Missing Person Case - Brianna Denison

- Additional Evidence Information Discovered -

During the continuing investigation of Brianna Denison's disappearance by the Reno Police Department and the FBI, additional information has been discovered. The Washoe County Crime Lab has established a DNA evidentiary link between Brianna's case, the Kidnap/Sexual Assault case from December (as already reported), and now the November 2007 case in which the suspect attempted to sexually assault the victim. As already noted, all of these cases occurred within close proximity of each other in the neighborhood immediately west of the University of Nevada Reno.

As a matter of a time-line review, the cases in question were as follows:

- November 13, 2007, 5:55 p.m. - The female victim was battered and sexually groped in the 400 Block of College Drive, Reno

- December 16, 2007, 2:00 a.m. - The female victim was battered, kidnapped from the 1400 Block of North Virginia St. Reno, sexually assaulted, and then brought home by the suspect.

- January 19, 2008, 5:00 a.m. - An unknown suspect unsuccessfully attempted to break into the residence of the victim of the December attack.

- January 20, 2008, 4:30 a.m. - Brianna Denison goes missing from 1395 Mackay Court, Reno.

Anyone with information regarding the suspect should note that if he is normally at a particular place, e.g., his home, during these dates and times and was unaccounted for, that might be an important clue and should be brought to our attention.

Evidence collected at the scene of the November attack included unopened packages of condoms.

All descriptions of the suspect and vehicle have already been distributed and as much information as possible is being sent in order to solve the cases. The public is encouraged to consider that these descriptions could vary slightly as compared to the actual suspect or suspect vehicle. For that reason, please do not automatically rule out non-exact matches

because any clues, no matter how seemingly insignificant, could help us solve these cases. The DNA evidence that we are in possession of will provide us with the positive link(s) for prosecution.

For reference, the descriptions are as follows:

- **Suspect vehicle:** Extended cab pick-up truck or SUV, dome light above the windshield, tall enough that it requires a step up to gain entry, floor-mounted console that was described as "fairly skinny" that opens in front, blue and red LED read-out on the radio, cloth seats, automatic transmission. There was a baby shoe on the front seat floor board. There were 8 ½" x 11" white pieces of paper with typing on the floor board of the front seat.

- **Suspect:** White male, approximately 28 - 40 years, long face with a square chin, taller than 5'6" but not excessively so, very strong but not with a significantly muscular build, a belly that was described as not excessively large and firm but not flabby, an "innie" belly button, shaved pubic region, a light covering of hair on his arms, no jewelry or a watch, facial hair about a quarter to a half an inch long below his chin and was soft and not prickly as stubble normally is, unknown if he had a mustache, brown head hair of undetermined style, normal speech with no accent or regional dialect, no smoker's breath, no alcohol, no bad breath, no cologne or after-shave.

- **Suspect clothing at the time of the Kidnap/Sexual assault:** red (not maroon) short sleeve shirt described as being made of material similar in feel to a Fubu jersey-type shirt (silk/rayon/polyester type) with a medium blue-colored neckline, short printed (possibly embroidered) word on the upper left breast area, another shirt underneath with wrist-length sleeves, unknown color pants - regular length - not jeans. The pants reminded the victim of basketball pants as the material was smooth but they made no noise when he moved and they had an elastic waist band and no zipper.

Also for reference, the description and photo of the condom package(s) in question are as follows:

- Brand: Trojan, Expiration: 05/2012, Lot # TT7135WZ908
- These may have been put into circulation about October or November of 2007.

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