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## Culver City Police Department PRESS RELEASE

Jason Sims, Chief of Police

## **Federal Indictment for Hate Crime Suspect**

On June 14, 2021, at approximately 1:00 am, a female victim of Asian-American descent was walking westbound along Washington Boulevard to work when she was violently attacked by an unknown male offender. The suspect allegedly verbally abused the victim with racial slurs and physically assaulted her, causing significant injuries. The victim was transported to the hospital, where she received extensive medical treatment.

The Culver City Police Department conducted a thorough investigation and identified the suspect believed to be responsible for this, who is currently in custody in a California state prison for an unrelated offense. Jesse Allen Lindsey, 37, has been indicted by the US Attorney's Office on one count of committing a hate crime, a felony offense carrying a maximum sentence of 10 years in federal prison.

The Culver City Police Department appreciates the FBI's partnership in this investigation and remains steadfast in its commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of the community.

"The community we serve is rich in cultural diversity, and we are committed to maintaining a safe and welcoming environment for all," said Culver City Police Chief Jason Sims. "Hate has no place in Culver City. I am extremely proud of the work done by the Culver City Police Department to identify and locate the suspect who is responsible for this violent hate crime. In partnership with the FBI, we are not only seeking justice for the innocent victim in this case but also underscoring that this type of heinous crime will not be tolerated in our neighborhoods."

Lindsey remains in state custody and will appear in federal court in the coming weeks. For more information, please see the <u>press release</u> from the US Attorney's Office.

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