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'20/20' INVESTIGATES A YOUNG WOMAN'S MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE AND THE SEARCH-AND-RESCUE OPERATION THAT LED POLICE TO A BARN FULL OF DARK SECRETS

Program Features Exclusive Interviews With the Victim's Friends and Family, Key Investigators and a Woman Who Evaded the Killer Decades Earlier

'20/20' Airs on Friday, July 4 (9:01-11:00 p.m. EDT), on ABC, Next Day on Hulu



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In the summer of 2016, 20-year-old Sierah Joughin vanished while biking home from her boyfriend's house. The community quickly mobilized in a massive search-and-rescue operation, but as days went by without any sign of Sierah, her family and friends feared the worst. "20/20," ABC News correspondent **John Quiñones** reports on Sierah's disappearance and the investigation that led police to James Worley — a local man with a sinister past and a barn full of dark secrets.

The two-hour program includes a tell-all interview with Robin Gardner, who survived an earlier abduction attempt by Worley. The episode also includes interviews with Sheila Vaculik, Sierah's mother; Tara Ice, Sierah's aunt; and Josh Kolasinski, Sierah's boyfriend at the time. Exclusive interviews include Major Matt Smithmyer from the Fulton County Sheriff's Office, who led the investigation; Kelsie Langenderfer and Bailey May, Sierah's friends; Cathy Shaffer, Sierah's grandmother; and FBI Special Agent Devon Lossick and FBI Violent Crime Task Force officer Dan Van Vorhis, two key investigators who conducted interviews with Worley during the search. "20/20" airs on FRIDAY, JULY 4 (9:01-11:00 p.m. EDT), on ABC, next day on Hulu. (Rebroadcast. OAD: 10/27/23)

ABC News' "20/20" is an award-winning primetime program anchored by David Muir and Deborah Roberts. A proven leader as a long-form newsmagazine for over 45 years, "20/20" features unforgettable, character-driven true-crime mysteries, exclusive newsmaker interviews, hard-hitting investigative reports and in-depth coverage of high-profile stories. Janice Johnston is the executive producer. The two-hour "20/20" events air Fridays from 9:01-11:00 p.m. EDT on ABC and are available to stream on ABC News digital platforms and Hulu.

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