

Macon County Sheriff's Department



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To whom it may concern:

The Macon County Sheriff's Department contacted Dr. Lawrence Farwell in August, 1999 to request a Brain Fingerprinting test on murder suspect James B. Grinder. Dr. Farwell conducted the test on Grinder on August 5, 1999. The Brain Fingerprinting test showed that the record in Grinder's brain matched the known details of the murder of Julie Helton, a crime that had remained unsolved for fifteen years.

The evidence provided by Dr. Farwell's Brain Fingerprinting test on Grinder was instrumental in obtaining a confession and guilty plea from Grinder, who was then sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert D. Dawson".

Robert D. Dawson
Macon County Sheriff