

# DNA confirms human remains found in Vermont woods are of suspected sex offender considered fugitive since 2004

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ORANGE, Vermont - The Vermont State Police announced Wednesday that DNA testing has confirmed the human remains found [in some woods nearly a year ago](#) were those of a 21-year-old sex offender who had been considered a fugitive since 2004.



Philip Jackman

Police confirmed the remains were those of Philip Jackman.

Jackman, then 21, disappeared in 2004 after police obtained a warrant for his arrest on sex offences, police said.

Police found his car abandoned but found no trace of him. He was reported to be suicidal and seeking to avoid capture. Police conducted an extensive search for Jackman but it concluded

without success. His case was turned over to the [U.S. Marshal's Service](#) and he had been listed as a fugitive from justice since.

A hunter out with his dog found the remains in wooded area off Beard Road in Orange, a short distance from where Jackman's car was found.

The DNA testing was conducted by the state Medical Examiner's Office at the University of Vermont Medical Center in Burlington.

Police have not disclosed the cause of death, but it is not believed to be foul play.

Orange, Vermont is located roughly 15 miles southeast of Montpelier.

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