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MEDIA ADVISORY

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Arrest & Charges to be Announced in 1994 Thousand Oaks Kidnapping for Robbery Case

News Conference: Thursday August 13, 2026, at 10 a.m.

VENTURA, Calif. – The Ventura County District Attorney's Office and Ventura County Sheriff's Office will hold a news conference Thursday, August 13, to announce the arrest and charges filed against Michael Douglas Brambles, a former LAPD detective and convicted rapist, accused of kidnapping for robbery of a Thousand Oaks business owner in 1994. The case was reopened thanks to continued testing as part of the Ventura County Sexual Assault Kit Initiative.

Ventura County District Attorney Erik Nasarenko, Ventura County Sheriff Jim Fryhoff and the victim, who will be identified publicly only by her initials, S.W., will speak at the news conference.

WHEN:

Thursday, August 13, 2026, at 10 a.m.

WHO:

- Victim, **S.W.**
- District Attorney **Erik Nasarenko**
- Ventura County Sheriff **Jim Fryhoff**

WHERE:

Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Thousand Oaks Station
2101 E Olsen Rd, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Additional details, including information about the suspect and the investigation, will be shared during the news conference. Credentialed members of the media will be permitted access to the press conference room beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Photos, charging documents, and other materials will be provided to media in attendance.

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