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Arrest Made in the 2017 Vergil Cook Cold Case Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives have obtained a warrant for an arrest in connection to the murder of Vergil Cook. She was found stabbed to death on **Friday, July 21, 2017**, in the 1300 Block of 21st Street North.

The suspect has been identified as:

Timothy Stone, (62), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.

On **Friday, July 21, 2017**, at around 11:00 p.m., North Precinct officers discovered 57-year-old Vergil Cook stabbed to death in her apartment. Stone was identified as a person of interest; however, he was never charged. The victim and suspect were a couple.

A witness in the case recently came forward and assisted our Cold Case Unit detectives.

On **Tuesday, August 20, 2024**, Birmingham Police Detectives presented case information to the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office. After an assessment of the information, detectives obtained a warrant for **Murder** on Timothy Stone.

Timothy Stone was already in the Jefferson County Jail on unrelated violent charges.

NOTE: Without the witness coming forward this arrest may not have been possible.

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