

Haugen Execution Slated for August

Oregon's first execution since 1997 has been ordered for August. A death warrant issued May 18, 2011 by Marion County Circuit Court Judge Joseph Guimond orders Aug. 16, 2011 as the execution date for 49-year-old inmate Gary Haugen. The death warrant is the court's order authorizing and requiring DOC to carry out Haugen's death sentence on a specific date. Under state law, the method of execution is lethal injection.

Haugen was sentenced to death in 2007 upon conviction of Aggravated Murder for the September 2003 stabbing death of fellow Oregon State Penitentiary (OSP) inmate David Polin. At the time of the Polin murder Haugen was serving a life sentence at OSP upon conviction of Murder for the 1981 beating death of his ex-girlfriend's mother, Mary Archer.

Haugen's death sentence in the Polin case was recently affirmed by the Oregon Supreme Court. In a series of letters to the Supreme Court, and in statements made to Judge Guimond in the death warrant hearing, Haugen indicated that he wanted to forego any further court challenges to his conviction and death sentence.

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