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LOCAL NEWS



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Essie Jackson, Angela Anderson, Tonja Harris and Latanga Watts are all believed to be killed in the 1980s by Homer Lee Jackson, who was arraigned on 12 counts of aggravated murder in Portland on Monday.

Arrested for 1980s Murders Serial killer suspect was living in northeast Portland

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For decades, the families of four young women killed in a string of unsolved Portland murders have waited for answers.

The victims were all African-American victims of sex trafficking, and ranged in age from 14 to 29, according to Portland Police. Their accused killer, Homer Lee Jackson, 55, was finally brought to justice last week.

Arrested at his northeast Portland home by the Police Bureau's Cold Case Unit, he was arraigned Monday on charges of



Homer Lee Jackson

aggravated murder in the deaths of Essie Jackson, Tonja Harry, Angela Anderson, and Latanga

Watts. The killing began in 1983 and ended in 1987.

The first victim, Essie Jackson, 23, was discovered on March 23, 1983, by a person walking along the edge of north Portland's Overlook Park. A mother of a young child, she was last seen more than a month earlier on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, a street then known as Union Avenue.

A few months later, on July 9, 1983, two community members spotted a body in water near the Columbia Slough in West Delta

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Small Victory for Tenants

City Council responds to rental crisis

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Portland renters facing a growing number of no-cause evictions and rent hikes may get some relief as part of new regulations passed the Portland City Council in response to a declared housing emergency.

Housing Bureau Commissioner Dan Saltzman was able to win approval last week of ordinances

to extend a waiting period for no-cause evictions, and rent hikes of over five percent, from 30-days to 90-days. The rules go into effect on Nov. 14.

"Oregon law prevents us from going further than these regulations," Saltzman said, "but I believe these new rules are a good first step to helping tenants now."

Low vacancy rates coupled with some of the highest rent increases in the nation are creating true housing insecurity for many Portland renters, Saltzman said.

"Many people we hear from are getting a 30-day notice to absorb rent increases upward of

50 percent," he said. "That's essentially an eviction notice for anyone, let alone those on a fixed income and working families who need enough time to find a new place to live, keep their kids in the same school, or budget for all the associated costs of such displacement."

Multifamily Northwest, a group representing residential property managers, vendors and rental home owners, opposed the new protections, calling them a form of "rent control," which it doesn't support, and believes is not allowed at the local level under state law.