

Tragedies in Maryland that might have been prevented through various reforms including grave disability standard, use of Assisted Outpatient Treatment and HIPAA reform

Owings Mills, Baltimore, MD

On 6/15/06, Mujtaba Rabbani Jabbar, 24, was at a showing of "X-Men: The Last Stand" at an Owings Mills movie theater when he stood up and began shooting at the audience. Paul Schrum, 62, sustained multiple gunshot wounds to the chest and head before dying in the aisle. The shooting was random - Jabbar did not know Schrum or anyone else in the theater. Jabbar told police he had planned to kill someone for months. His sister said the family had unsuccessfully sought help for Jabbar in the past and that he suffers from a mental illness. She said that they couldn't convince him or force him to go because they couldn't prove he was a danger to himself and others. Jabbar was diagnosed with schizophrenia by state doctors, who said the disorder had left him unable to conform his behavior to the law. WJZ-TV 13, 6/20/06; Associated Press, 12/19/06

Date: 8/2010

Baltimore, None, MD

On 8/23/10, 19-year-old Jermaine R. Holley killed 51-year-old Martin Reyes by repeatedly beating him with a board. A month before the attack, Holley had been committed to a hospital for treatment. Police said Holley may have stopped taking his medications for schizophrenia. Baltimore Sun, 8/23/10; WBALTV.com, 8/23/10

Date: 2/2009

Glen Burnie, Anne Arundel, MD

On 2/4/09, delusional Mark Anthony Dorsey forced his mother and nephew out of the house at knife point, slashed at his nephew with a knife, and threatened to drink his blood. After Dorsey's mother called 911 officers found Dorsey sitting at a kitchen table pouring olive oil on himself and his daughter. Dorsey fought with police, yelling he was Jesus and that they were false prophets. In Dorsey's schizophrenic mind, he was God, the oil was holy, and his actions were going to protect the child from evil demons. "He was anointing her," said defense attorney Domenic Lamele. "He thought a radio and laptop computer were possessed and trying to hurt him and his daughter." Circuit Judge Hackner determined he could not separate right from wrong and was legally insane. Annapolis Capital, 8/26/09 Baltimore Sun, 6/4/07

Bowie, Prince George's, MD

On 7/8/07, Christopher Gary, fatally shot his mother in Bowie and was killed in Delaware while exchanging shots with police. Gary had a history of mental illness and had been hospitalized several times in the past decade for treatment of bipolar disorder. Washington Post, 7/10/07; News Journal (DE), 7/11/07

Adelphi, Prince George's, MD

On 8/29/02, James Logan, then 23, shot and killed two sheriff's deputies, Elizabeth Magruder, 30, and Cpl. James V. Arnaud, 53 in Adelphi, MD when they came to his home and attempted to take him for an emergency psychiatric evaluation. Logan's mother had tried to have him committed to a psychiatric hospital that month because she thought he was exhibiting signs of paranoid schizophrenia. But because he had not done anything dangerous, he was never hospitalized. The day before the shootings, Logan's mother had called the police to report Logan's aggressive behavior, but the responding officers didn't witness any dangerous behavior and left. Baltimore Sun, 2/26/03; Washington Post 7/29/03; Montgomery County Gazette, 10/8/03, 6/18/07; Wash. Post, 10/28/03; Baltimore Sun, 11/10/03; Wash. Post, 11/11/03; WJZ-TV, 9/8/05; DC Examiner, 9/7/05; WUSA Channel 9, 9/8/06

MD

Joseph C. Palczynski, shot his way into his ex-girlfriend's mother's home, Lynn Whitehead, and killed four people. Palczynski was killed in a SWAT team raid after he held three people hostage for nearly 100 hours. Palczynski suffered from bipolar disorder and was not taking medication. USA Today, 3/23/00

Severna Park, Anne Arundel, MD

On 12/10/07, Walter Clay Hickey III, 44, sped down Ritchie Highway in his pickup truck - running six stoplights and eventually slamming into a car full of people in Severna Park. Five people - including Hickey - were hospitalized and one of the victims almost died. Hickey, who had schizophrenia told police that he was being chased by clouds. His mother actually called 911 about two hours before the accident, asking police for help. She said her son was agitated and acting like he did eight years ago, when he took off down I-97 and rammed a state trooper. Three police officers and two medics came to her house, but said there was nothing they could do because he was not an "imminent threat." Annapolis Capital, 1/14/07

MD

Darryl Francis Harvey, 43, beat his 64-year-old father to death in 2/2000. His mother, who was badly beaten as well, called 911 and reported that her son had become uncontrollable and was assaulting her and her husband. Harvey's mother told police that her son was diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia and had recently refused to take his medication. Washington Post, 2/15, 2000, p. B1

Hyattsville, Prince George's, MD

On 4/1/07, Kenneth Cameron, 51, bludgeoned his 71-year-old mother Ester Mae Cameron to death with a hammer. Cameron, who neighbors said was on disability because of a mental illness, said he called 911 soon after he realized what he had done. Washington Post, 4/3/07

Date: 2/2009

Severn, Anne Arundel, MD

On 2/1/09, Jerald Glodek called 911 asking for help with his son, Jeremy who was Bipolar, delusional and sitting in a car outside their home. Cpl. Daniel Long and Officer Vincent Carbonaro arrived and got Jeremy out of the car. Jerald pulled out a kitchen knife with a 5-inch blade and warned police not to shoot his son. After some time, the father threw away the knife and police handcuffed him. In Annapolis District Court. Jerald Glodek apologized to the officers, acknowledging he shouldn't have pulled a knife and threatened to stab them if they shot or Tasered his 21-year-old son. Annapolis Capital, 10/2/09

Date: 9/2007

Clear Spring, Washington, MD

In 9/2007, Adam James McKee set fire to a home because a woman who lived there wouldn't date him. McKee was charged with 4 counts of first-degree attempted murder. Before this McKee had four emergency psychiatric commitments and was diagnosed as being schizophrenic. He had pleaded guilty to possession of a rifle as a person who suffers from a mental disorder and was sentenced to time served, 275 days in jail. McKee has had several encounters with law enforcement. McKee was charged 9/14/08, with threatening to burn down a three-story apartment building, where a woman and her family lived/ McKee also led police on a short manhunt in 8/2008, when he left the house he shared with his mother, threatening to kill a police officer, then himself. Hagerstown Herald Mail, 10/20/09

Odenton, Anne Arundel, MD

On 10/24/06, James Douglass Morris set fire to his parents home. Doctors determined that Mr. Morris was schizophrenic and unable to distinguish right from wrong. Capitol- Gazette, 5/18/07

Flintstone, Allegany, MD

On May 27/07, Jeffrey Allen Burns, 25, was arrested for punching a Maryland State Trooper and trying to take the officer's gun. Sgt. C.E. Brehm of the Maryland State Police told the Cumberland Times-News that Burns suffers from schizophrenia. Beaver County Times (PA), 5/29/07

Date: 8/2010

Cumberland, Allegany, MD

On 8/21/10, 42-year-old Mark Thomas Collins killed his 46-year-old brother, William Collins who was "struck numerous times in the head with a sharp object." Court records show that Mark Collins was previously committed to a mental institution in 9/04 after serving time for an arson in Allegany County, he was released in 1/06. He was on probation for a 2009 second-degree assault conviction. Cumberland Times-News, 8/22/10; Washington Post, 8/23/10

Silver Spring, Montgomery, MD

On 9/1/10, 43-year-old James J. Lee was shot and killed by police at the end of a hostage standoff at The Discovery

Channel. Lee had a handgun and a live bomb strapped to him. Lee was a mentally ill, homeless, violent man who made his own brother-in-law fear for his life. He said at a prior trial that he was inspired to save the planet not only by Al Gore, but by the novel "Ishmael," about a talking gorilla. Lee also wrote that he objected to all "immigration pollution and the anchor baby filth that follows that." Washington Post, 9/2/10; Huffington Post, 9/2/10 ; Fox News,9/2/10; ABC News Medical Unit, 09/03/10

Chevy Chase, Montgomery, MD

In 8/2004, Susan Lynn Sachs, 39, stabbed her landlady, Joyce Hadl, to death in the woman's home in Chevy Chase, MD. Hadl, a psychiatric social worker, Hadl repeatedly told police that Sachs was mentally ill, off her medication and needed to be hospitalized. She called 911 on 8/16/04 complaining Sachs was acting strangely and needed psychiatric help. Montgomery County police responded with the first of five visits to Hadl's house that day. But after hours of interviews with Hadl and Sachs, county officials, including a mental health crisis unit that had been dispatched to the home several times in a 24-hour period, determined that they could not remove Sachs from the property, even though she had a history of schizo-affective disorder and was reportedly "acting bizarrely". At some point in the next several days, Sachs stabbed the 71-year-old Hadl to death in her own bed. A judge ruled that Sachs was not competent to stand trial and ordered her held at a mental hospital until she was able to stand trial. On 9/26/10, she was strangled to death in the psych hospital by El Soundani El-Wahhabi, who was sent to Perkins after he killed someone in Baltimore in the 1990s. El-Wahhabi told detectives he slipped into Sachs' room, kissed her, and strangled her to death with a string. Washington Post, 4/22/05, 9/27/10, 9/28/10, 10/6/11; Baltimore Sun 9/27/10, 10/17/10

White Oak, Montgomery, MD

On October 14/10, 65-year-old Karreem Ali died two days after an altercation with Montgomery County police who were responding to a report of someone out of control. It was unclear if Ali died as a result of the altercation or from a medical condition independent of the confrontation. Ali's brother reported he had a longstanding diagnosis of schizophrenia. TBD.com, 10/14/10; Washington Post, 10/15/10

Olney, Montgomery, MD

35-year-old Jerome Goodlett killed 41-year-old Punyasara Gedara and 81-year-old Nazir Ahmed just days apart. Gedara was shot to death while walking home from his job at a local Subway restaurant. Ahmed was shot to death in his home on March 18. Goodlett had a history of mental illness and was on conditional release at the time of the slayings. In 7/11, Goodlett, who hadn't been prescribed medication since April, slashed a fellow inmate. In 8/2011, he slashed a correctional officer. Goodlett wrote 11 pages to his warden asserting correctional officers were teasing him through his dreams and demanding that the warden "find another creature to inhabit". In August, his defense attorney reported Goodlett had

repeatedly refused to meet with her and appeared mentally incompetent to stand trial. In October 2011, Goodlett was involuntarily committed to Jessup after police confirmed he attacked an inmate in Montgomery County in July and a guard in August. According to Goodlett's attorney, he had been diagnosed with schizoaffective disorder. He had not received medication while he was in jail. Goodlett's mental health was deteriorating and he was acting erratically at the jail before he was involuntarily committed to Perkins. TBD.com, 3/23/11; WashingtonPost.com, 3/23/11, 9/1/11; WMAL.com, 3/24/11; WUSA9.com, 3/24/11; Gazette.net, 10/7/11

Upper Marlboro, Prince George's, MD

On 4/16/11, police fatally shot 20-year-old Charles O'Dell Smith after they were called by Smith's mother, who told them Smith had a history of mental illness and was firing a gun throughout the house. Smith, was diagnosed with Bipolar Disorder when he was 12 or 13 and had struggled with the illness. His mother said he had stopped taking his medication. Smith tried to grab a female officer's gun during a fistfight and could not be stopped by less lethal means. Fearing for the officer's safety, another officer shot Smith. NBC Washington, 4/17/11; Washington Post, 4/17/11, 4/18/11, The Sentinel Newspapers, 4/20/11

Pasadena, Anne Arundel, MD

On 1/4/11, 40-year-old Neal Jesse Manning fatally shot his landlord, 57-year-old Harry Allan Wagner. Manning told police that he killed Wagner because he believed his landlord was a warlock who was conjuring spells against him and he had been hearing demon voices which led him to fatally shoot Wagner. Manning was found not criminally responsible and sent to a state mental hospital.. WBALTV.com, 1/4/11; Baltimore Sun, 4/27/11

Hagerstown, Washington, MD

On 12/3/11, 17-year-old Matthew David Smith stabbed Nelson N. Fuentes at the Arc of Washington County. The Department of Juvenile Services said Smith had stopped going to counseling and stopped taking medications for bipolar disorder and other conditions. Herald Mail, 4/17/12

Date: 5/2005

Bethesda, Montgomery, MD

On 5/25/05, Antoinette C. Starks, armed with four knives, entered Nordstorm in Bethesda and began randomly attacking shoppers. Two women, were seriously injured. Starks suffered from mental illness and was found not criminally responsible and placed in a maximum-security psychiatric hospital and released in 8/11. County prosecutors tried to prevent the hospital from releasing Starks, diagnosed with schizophrenia, stating she remained a "danger to others and herself because of her mental illness." On October 11/11, Starks stabbed another woman outside a Target store. The Washington Times, 10/11/11, 10/12/11; MyFoxDC.com, 10/12/11 WTOP.com, 4/18/11; The Washington Times, 10/11/11, 10/12/11; MyFoxDC.com, 10/12/11

Annapolis, Anne Arundel, MD

On 9/10/10, 21-year-old Michael Jovante Johnson attacked a 20-year-old woman as she walked home from work on the Baltimore & Annapolis Trail. On 10/17/11, Johnson, diagnosed with Paranoid Schizophrenia, entered an Alford plea allowing him to maintain his innocence while admitting prosecutors have enough evidence to convict, and was committed. Hometown Annapolis, 10/18/11

Bethesda, Montgomery, MD

On 9/4/06, 19-year-old Vitali A. Davydov who was diagnosed with schizophrenia and bipolar disorder killed 53-year-old Dr. Wayne S. Fenton, associate director of the National Institute of Mental Health. Fenton had agreed to see the young man suddenly to help out Davydov's regular doctor. Davydov's father, who transported him to the appointment, said his son had become upset when they discussed the need to take medication for his mental illness. Dr. Fenton planned to encourage his son to take medication. Davydov became agitated and fatally beat Dr. Fenton with his fists. Davydov's father found after blood all over his son. On 4/3/07, Davydov pleaded guilty, not criminally responsible and was sent to Perkins. On 10/1/11, Davydov killed his roommate, 22-year-old David Rico-Noyola at Perkins Hospital Center.

Washington Post, 9/4/06, 9/5/06, 9/6/06, 9/8/06, 3/30/07; Baltimore Sun, 9/5/06, 9/8/06, 10/22/11; NBC4.com, 9/6/06; Los Angeles Times, 9/6/06; Baltimore WJZ 13, 9/ 5/06; New York Times, 9/19/06; The Gazette, 9/20/06

Glen Burnie, Anne Arundel, MD

On 12/18/08, 20-year-old David Rico Noyola killed his mother, 48-year-old Ofelia Noyola-Monrroy. In 2007, 2 family members told police they returned home and found Noyola-Monrroy unresponsive and bleeding. In 8/11, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene deemed Rico-Noyola incompetent to stand trial in the death of his mother in 2008.

Jessup, Anne Arundel, MD

On October 2/1/11, 24-year-old Vitali Davydov killed his roommate, 22-year-old David Rico-Noyola at the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center. Hospital staff found Rico-Noyola on the floor of their room, suffering from trauma to his body and head. In 8/11, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene deemed Rico-Noyola incompetent to stand trial in the death of his mother in 2008. In 2007, Davydov, diagnosed with schizophrenia and bipolar disorder, was found not criminally responsible for the fatal beating a year earlier of Rockville psychiatrist Wayne S. Fenton, A judge concluded that severe mental illness prevented Davydov from realizing that he was committing a crime and ordered him committed to Perkins until he was determined to no longer be dangerous. On 11/13/12, the 24-year-old Davydov was declared not competent to stand trial in Howard County Circuit Court in the death of his roommate at the state psychiatric hospital. Baltimore Sun, 10/22/11; Explore Howard, 11/15/12 WashingtonExaminer.com, 12/21/08; Baltimore Sun, 10/22/11

Baltimore, None, MD

On October 1/06, Marvin Ferguson, diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia, charged from his house with a 12-gauge shotgun and opened fire on his neighbor, Billy Horne. In Ferguson's mind, Horne was the leader of "the enoch people" - an alliance of pixies and fairies plotting to attack his 8-year-old daughter on that morning. Ferguson turned his gun on Home's mother and son before running inside his own home. After forcing entry; Police discovered the house in disarray and that Ferguson had essentially tunneled into the ceiling and begun living there. Baltimore police were previously dispatched 13 times to Ferguson's home and at least twice, Ferguson was involuntarily committed. Ferguson was diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia, and had been sleeping with knives and axes under his bed. "An emergency petition only gets you to an emergency room to be evaluated," said Susan Steinberg, forensics director for the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, "And once you're discharged, there's no court order hanging over your head. ... When a doctor writes you a prescription, you can walk out and throw it all in the garbage," Steinberg said. Baltimore Sun, 7/4/09

Jessup, Anne Arundel, MD

On October 2/7/11, 46-year-old Andre Mayo fatally assaulted fellow patient 40-year-old Rogelio Mondragon at the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital. An autopsy determined the cause was multiple blunt force injuries to his face and neck. On 4/12/12, Mayo was found incompetent to stand trial. wusa9.com, 10/28/11; Examiner.com 10/29/11; The Daily Record, 2/14/12; Baltimore Sun, 4/12/12

Wheaton, Montgomery, MD

Walter Marquez, 40, killed his 75-year-old mother, Esperanza Marquez. Walter's older brother, Manuel arrived at the house and found his younger brother sitting on their mother's living room couch watching TV while mother's body lay on the floor nearby. According to court records, Walter Marquez had been diagnosed with schizophrenia. Washington Post, 12/23/02

Cecil, MD

Robert Raezer, a 38-year-old man stabbed Richard Raezer, his 69-year-old father to death in the home shared by the men. Police had been called to the home previously after Robert Raezer threatened a family member. Richard Raezer had called the local NAMI president two weeks before his murder and told her that his son had beaten him up and wanted to kill him. Raezer also told her that police had already taken his son for an evaluation at Union Hospital's psychiatric ward, and he had been released the following day. Elkton Cecil Whig (MD), 7/13/05

Hagerstown, Washington, MD

On 3/9/12, 56-year-old Daniel Alfred Lvasseur was arrested after Officers stopped Lvasseur for questioning, during which he threatened to burn down Hagerstown. Lvasseur said he was diagnosed with bipolar disorder and schizophrenia and

had a lengthy criminal record of "nuisance" crimes in Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, and Arizona. Herald Mail, 3/12/12

Ellicott City, Howard, MD

On 5/3/12, 56-year-old mentally ill Douglas Franklin Jones shot 59-year-old Brenda Brewington and 62-year-old Rev. Mary-Marguerite Kohn inside an office in St. Peter's Episcopal Church. WJLA.com, 5/3/12; Baltimore Sun, 5/4/12, 5/6/12

Joppatowne, Harford, MD

On 5/31/12, 21-year-old Alexander Kinyua killed Agyei-Kodie by cutting him up with a knife and then ate his heart and part of his brain. There were signs that Kinyua, a student at Morgan State University, was becoming more troubled. A military instructor had referred to him as a "Virginia Tech waiting to happen" months before the attack. In May he was arrested after he attacked a classmate with a baseball bat fracturing the man's skull. Kinyua had posted paranoid rants on social media websites. Baltimore Sun, 5/31/12; TheHuffingtonPost.com, 6/4/12

Glen Burnie, Anne Arundel, MD

Camilla Robinson, a 35-year-old woman with mental illness, threw her 5-month-old daughter out of a moving car in Glen Burnie, MD on 7/16/05, apparently because she thought the infant was the devil. Robinson has bipolar disorder, and her mother had been staying with her because of concerns about her mental health, Annapolis Capital, 9/3/05

California, St. Mary's, MD

On 9/29/02, police fatally shot 38-year-old Stephen Robert Wycoff outside his home. The incident began when two uniformed deputies asked Wycoff questions to determine if he was the person they had been called to check on. Wycoff attacked them without provocation. Wycoff, who suffered from schizophrenia, was off his medication at the time. Both deputies were treated at a hospital. SoMd News, 10/10/12

Lusby, Calvert, MD

On 1/13/11, Kurt J. Monaco was arrested after a 17-year-old girl told police he had raped her. During the sentencing hearing, Monaco's adoptive mother said he had been hospitalized five times for mental health issues, mostly involving suicide, and was diagnosed with bipolar disorder. She said he was "less angry" when on medication and wanted him to get mental health treatment. SoMd News, 8/10/12

Ellicott City, Howard, MD

Kevin Allen Virgil, 23, committed suicide after shooting at his girlfriend and barricading himself in his Ellicott City apartment on 8/10/01. He had been involuntarily admitted to Howard County General Hospital three days earlier, after he told a former teacher that he had bought a gun and was "thinking about hurting himself and his ex-girlfriend." The hospital released him the next day. His mother, Rose Virgil, filed a lawsuit, accusing a hospital physician of discharging her son

"while he was still a danger to himself and others." after one day "without any medication or treatment plan." Baltimore Sun, March 26/04 The Columbia (MD) Flier, 4/8/04

Baltimore, Baltimore, MD

On 2/20/03, two-month-old David Carr was beaten to death by his mentally ill mother Keisha L. Carr, 22, in their Baltimore, MD home. Keisha was suffering from severe depression but often didn't take her medication. In 11/02, a health counselor called the Baltimore Department of Social Services, warning that Carr, who had previously attempted suicide and been hospitalized for mental illness in 2000 and 2002, had abandoned a court-ordered psychiatric treatment program. Three months later, Carr's newborn son, David, was beaten to death. Baltimore Sun, 1/25/04

Huntingtown, Prince Frederick, MD

Adele F. Freeman, shot 49-year-old Kevin Gross five times, killing him with a shot to the head. Freeman suffers from bipolar disorder and had been hospitalized several times between 1994 and 1996 for manic-depressive episodes. Three or four weeks before, Freeman had run out of Depakote, a medication used to treat her manic episodes. She then drove to the Maryland State Police barracks to turn herself in, because, she claims, a voice told her to. Washington Post, 1/20 and 11/10/02

Oakland, Garrett, MD

On 2/1/08, 22-year-old Christopher Thompson called police and confessed to killing 49-year-old Andrew Clever, his adoptive father, with a baseball bat. Thompson told police he was mentally ill and that the television, a song and voices in his head told him to do it. Thompson also told police he had been prescribed medication for obsessive-compulsive disorder. His grandmother, said he had been diagnosed with bipolar disease. FOX News, 2/6/08; Cumberland Times News, 2/7/08

Chesapeake Beach, Calvert, MD

Calvert County, MD, sheriff's deputies used tear gas to force a man with schizophrenia out of his Chesapeake Beach home after he had barricaded himself inside when police tried to serve him with an emergency petition for a mental commitment. A judge signed the petition to take Bristow into custody after members of his family requested it. Washington Post, 7/31/03

Severna Park, Anne Arundel, MD

On 12/19/03, Matthew K. Erisman, a man with bipolar disorder, brutally attacked, beat, handcuffed, stabbed his former girlfriend in her Severna Park, MD home. Annapolis Capital, May 22/05

Annapolis, Anne Arundel, MD

Demarrow Antjuan Williams, 27, of Annapolis, approached undercover narcotics agents who were sitting in an unmarked police car on a dirt road at about 1 p.m. on 7/30/02, and fired

about five shots. Williams' friends and relatives said he suffers from schizophrenia and has had several recent run-ins with police. Baltimore Sun, 7/31/02

Silver Spring, Montgomery, MD

Mark E. Gross, stabbed to death his 83-year-old grandmother on 5/7/02 in Silver Spring, MD. Gross, who had been hospitalized previously for schizophrenia was homeless at the time of his attack. Police had been called to the building at least seven times in the past two years to investigate complaints made against him by family members. Washington Post, May 9/02 Washington Post, 9/9/03

Date: 9/2005

Glen Burnie, Anne Arundel, MD

Brandon Ian Kellam, 17, was charged as an adult with second-degree murder in the 9/3/05 death of Kevin Wengert, 17, of Glen Burnie. He's had mental health treatment off and on since the third grade and briefly held in a psychiatric hospital. He's been prescribed medication at times, but never got effective and consistent treatment. The psychiatrist said he believes Mr. Kellam has bipolar disorder. Annapolis Capital, March 29/06

Chevy Chase, Montgomery, MD

In 2004, 39-year-old Susan L. Sachs, killed 71-year-old roommate Joyce Hadl. On 8/16/04, Hadl, a Social Worker, called police and said Sachs was off her medication and was dangerous. Sachs had also called police because she was afraid Hadl was trying to kill her. Staff from Montgomery County Crisis Services found that Sachs was not a danger and police and told Hadl she had to go through the eviction process to have Sachs removed from her home. Sachs was found not criminally responsible for her actions because of paranoid schizophrenia. On 9/26/10, Sachs, then a patient at Perkins was strangled to death by another patient. Chevy Chase Gazette, 4/12/06; Gazette.net, 2/16/05, 3/22/06, 9/27/10; Washington Post, 9/27/10, 9/28/10; Baltimore Sun, 9/27/10

MD

Josh Thomas Waterman, 42, was killed Nov. 28, 2000 when police shot into his car on I-95 near BWI Airport when during a chase, his vehicle careened toward them as Waterman approached the toll plaza. Mr. Waterman had been diagnosed with bipolar disorder and he may have been having a manic episode, his brother said. The News and Observer (Raleigh, NC), 12/1/2000, p. B3

Bethesda, Montgomery, MD

Lonnie Dale Bosley, 38 was killed in a shootout with Montgomery County police detectives in a downtown Bethesda apartment building in 11/2000. The detectives had been interviewing residents in the Seasons, about reported gun fire. Bosley answered his door and opened fire. The officers returned fire. Bosley suffered from paranoid schizophrenia and apparently had not taken his prescription medication for several days. Washington Post, 11/18/2000, p. B01

Annapolis, Anne Arundel, MD

Kristen Shaybest, 37, was charged with attempted murder in 4/2000, after she allegedly stabbed Charles Louis Senesi, 57. She has been found incompetent to stand trial and suffers from a psychotic disorder. The Capital (Annapolis, MD), 11/17/2000

MD

David Edward Terry is charged with stabbing in the heart and murdering Christian W. Ludwig, 20, on May 20. Terry, 39, suffers from paranoid schizophrenia. Baltimore Sun, 1/18/01,

Ellicott City, Howard, MD

On 2/11/01, Benjamin Morgan Hawkes, - with an American flag draped around his neck and alternately believing himself to be Jesus Christ and Satan - used at least two knives and a sledgehammer to kill his mother Mary Jane Hawkes, 59, and Teena Wu, 18, a teen-ager staying at their home. Hawkes' family had sought treatment for him at Howard County General Hospital the day before the murders. Hawkes, who had been suffering from schizophrenia and paranoia sent home with a prescription for anti-anxiety medicine.

Officers had also been called to the home in 1998, after his father reported that he had been assaulted by his son. Police were called again on 1/1/00, after family members reported that Hawkes had been acting erratically. On 7/6/09, Hawkes, was given a "therapeutic release" from Perkins. Assistant state's attorneys Mary Murphy and Brian Furlong argued that the brutality of the two homicides as well as the fact that Hawkes will never be fully cured of schizophrenia and other mental disorders could lead to him committing other heinous acts. Washington Post, 2/13/01; Baltimore Sun, 3/26/04, 6/15/04, 7/11/09

Centreville, Queen Anne's, MD

Francis Mario Zito, 42, murdered Queen Anne's County Sheriff's Deputy Jason C. Schwenz, 28, and Centreville Police Officer Michael Nickerson, 26 on 2/13/01. Police were called to Zito's home after a neighbor complained about loud music. Zito refused to come out and unleashed a volley of 12-gauge shotgun blasts through the screen door of his home.

Previously Zito's mother asked court officials to order an emergency psychiatric evaluation of her son because he had threatened her, according to a court filing. At age 8 or 9, Zito was treated with Thorazine. Schizophrenia and manic depression were diagnosed during at least a dozen hospitalizations over the previous two decades, and his condition had worsened because he refused to take his medication. Washington Post, 2/15/01 Christian Science Monitor, 3/17/04,

Jessup, Howard, MD

Vaughn Hairston, a 24-year-old Howard County Detention Center inmate, hung himself using a bedsheet on 9/26/06. Hairston's mother said her son had bipolar disorder and was taking medication when he entered the detention center in March to await trial on a number of charges. Her son told her

that inmates were harassing and assaulting him and that he had stopped taking his medication. Baltimore Sun, 9/29/06

Prince George's, MD

Louis Eugene Randall, 37, was shot and killed by Prince George's County police officers in May 2001. His mother, Winona Randall, called police for help after her son began to stab a paring knife into a plastic sugar canister. When police arrived, she explained that her son was bipolar and acting bizarrely because he was off his medication. Police tried to subdue Randall with non-lethal pellet guns, but eventually fatally shot him eight times. Washington Post, 7/3/01

Anne Arundel, MD

Philip Anselm Montgomery, age 20, died in a Maryland holding cell after drinking antifreeze. Montgomery had swerved his car into a traffic barrier after drinking the antifreeze and was mistakenly arrested as a drunk driver. Montgomery suffered from schizophrenia and his mother said her son had been hospitalized and was not taking his medication at the time. Washington Post, 11/2/01 The Capital, 11/3/01 Baltimore Sun, 12/13/03

Bowie, Prince George's, MD

Ceaser Allen, 29, who has been diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia, was shot ten times by four officers 10/4/01 as he stood in the middle of Route 301, brandishing a knife after threatening a woman at an apartment complex. He defied officer's commands to put down a knife, shouting, "I'm going to Heaven today," and "I'm not going to jail." Allen's record contains many references to his mental illness. On several occasions, parole officers recorded his refusal to maintain his medications, and that he refused to see his psychiatrist. Washington Post, October 19/01

Salisbury, Wicomico, MD

On 4/7/05, 22-year-old mentally ill Allison Lamont Norman went on a shooting rampage which began in Laurel, DE and ended up in Salisbury, MD. Norman stole a vehicle with the driver still inside then fatally shot the driver, 28-year-old DaVondale Maurice "Pete" Peters. Norman walked down the street randomly shooting. In Salisbury, several victims were taken to the hospital including Carla Green, who was in critical but stable condition, and Marsha Hankerson, who was treated and released. During bond hearings, Norman yelled obscenities and expletives and claimed he was the "son of God". Fox21 DELMARVA, 4/11/05; The Daily Times (MD), 5/30/07, 6/12/07

Baltimore, MD

On 5/27/07, George T. Dyson, 48, stabbed and robbed Karen Harris, 57, in Charles Village using two steak knives that had been tied together. Dyson suffered from "bipolar disorder, hypomanic episode, with psychotic features." After a previous arrest, Dyson underwent months of psychiatric treatment and evaluations, with one doctor describing him as "dangerous to others." In a pretrial evaluation 9/3/03, the Maryland

Department of Mental Hygiene wrote that Dyson was "disorganized and irrational in his thought processes. "He has a long history of mental illness with an equally long history of noncompliance with treatment and medication"

Annapolis, Anne Arundel, MD

On 7/14/07, John Bealefeld, John Bealefeld admitted to beating and kicking his father, Maurice, eventually breaking his neck. Less than three months before, Maurice Bealefeld asked for an emergency psychological evaluation of his son. Even though John Bealefeld was taken to Baltimore Washington Medical Center, he soon returned to his father's home. Sharon Brown described her brother as suffering from schizophrenia, being in and out of mental health facilities for almost 30 years. Maurice Bealefeld requested evaluations for his son three times: once in 2002 after an assault charge, again in 2003, and most recently in April. According to Maurice Bealefeld's 4/26 request, his son was hearing voices, had hit him and knocked him down. After the request was granted, and police escorted Mr. Bealefeld to Baltimore Washington Medical Center. The outcome of the evaluation was not available, but John Bealefeld was soon home again. Sharon Brown always worried that her brother might do something to harm their father because of his mental illness, she said. Just two weeks before the attack, she said she was at her father's house and told him to ask her brother to leave. She said her father was increasingly unable to handle the stress and worry of dealing with his son's illness. "He said, 'I'm giving you 30 days. You've got to get out of here. I can't take this anymore,'" she recalled John Bealefeld saying. She recalled her brother's response. He laughed. He stopped taking his medications before the murder because the voices told him to stop. Annapolis Capital, 7/19/07, 4/30/08

Parkville, Baltimore, MD

On 8/19/07, police fatally shot Adam Benjamin Rothstein, a suicidal man who pointed a handgun at them. His father said his son suffered from bipolar disorder. "Adam has had issues his whole life", the father said. Baltimore Sun, 8/20/07, 8/21/07

MD

Wilbert L. Leonard, 38, has been charged with first-degree murder in the fatal stabbing of his 56-year-old wheelchair-bound mother, Charlotte L. Gunn, in her home during a dispute. Police found her lying on her kitchen floor with multiple wounds to her neck and chest. Leonard suffers from manic depression and had recently been discharged from a mental institution. Police sources said that Leonard often argued with his mother because he refused to take his prescribed medication. About one week prior to this incident, Gunn had filed a criminal complaint against Leonard for physical assault. Leonard was scheduled to appear in court for this assault on 8/9. Washington Post, 7/12 & 13/01

Silver Spring, Montgomery, MD

On March 22/02, John H. Lutz, 64, was charged with first-degree murder in the death of Nicole Castro, 23, of Silver

Spring, Maryland. Castro, a counselor for Threshold Services, was found stabbed to death near a dumpster in the parking lot of Lutz's apartment complex. According to charging documents filed in District Court, Lutz suffered from a delusional disorder and was a former patient at Springfield State Hospital.

The Gazette, March 26/02

Anne Arundel, MD

Martin John Alascio, 41, a former Glen Burnie, Maryland, resident, was shot three times by county police after a 30-minute car chase from Arnold to Glen Burnie during a psychotic episode after he rammed a police cruiser. Alascio was seeing a psychiatrist at the time for a psychotic disorder and had stopped taking his medication.

The Capital (Annapolis, MD), 7/15, 2000

Washington Grove, Montgomery, MD

Eric Wolle, 45, died after police were called to investigate reports of a disturbance near the home he shared with his mother in Washington Grove, MD. Wolle's mother, Delores Wolle, 80, told police that her son was had a long history of mental illness and chased her out of the house and assaulted her. Police found Wolle in a neighbor's backyard with a machete in his belt screaming that the police would never take him alive. When officers moved toward him, Wolle "fought and wrestled," before losing consciousness. Wolle died of cardiac arrhythmia in a setting of extreme psychosis and physical restraint. Eric Wolle had no prior criminal record. Police had been dispatched to the Wolle home once, in 12/1993, to transport Eric Wolle to the hospital for a mental evaluation after he attacked his father. His mother said that Wolle had not been treated with medication for about 10 years leading up to his death. According to his brother, Wolle had been diagnosed with bipolar schizophrenia 20 years earlier. Washington Post, 4/29/04 Montgomery County Gazette, 4/28/04 Montgomery County Gazette, 6/9/04 Washington Post, 6/25 & 26/04

Silver Spring, Montgomery, MD

On March 7/08, Adrienne Victoria Cravens, 19, fatally stabbed Sean Cope, 18, during a fight. A court-appointed social worker said at a bond hearing that Cravens is bipolar and was not taking her medication at the time of the incident. Gazette, 3/12/08

Baltimore, , MD

On 3/29/08, Mark Castillo drowned his three children in the bathtub of a Baltimore hotel room and placed their naked bodies in a bed. Castillo called the front desk of the Baltimore Marriott at Camden Yards to report that he had killed the children. Their mother had waged a determined but losing struggle in court to limit her children's contact with their father, who has a history of mental problems. The family's nanny was afraid to be at the home alone with the father. Mark Castillo, who has diagnoses of depression and narcissistic personality disorder, was involuntarily hospitalized for a week in the summer of 2006. On Christmas 2006, Amy Castillo requested

a restraining order. Washington Post, 4/1/08, 3/27/10;
Baltimore Sun, 4/1/08

Pasadena, Anne Arundel, MD

On 7/8/06, Zachary Thomas Neiman fatally shot his mother, Rae Bajus, as she sat on their living room couch. Neiman was delusional and had been hearing voices in the weeks leading up to the murder. The judge ruled Neiman not criminally responsible for the crimes. Neiman, who was diagnosed as a paranoid schizophrenic, was committed to the psychiatric hospital. Seven years before the shooting, Neiman had been ordered not to have any contact with his mother or his stepfather after he was charged with false imprisonment and convicted of assaulting them, according to court records. At the time of the murder, Neiman was hearing voices and thought his mother was hearing the same voices. He also thought that his stepfather was abusing his mother, although prosecutors say there is no basis for that belief. He thought that by killing his mother, the prosecutor said, he would "free her from the abuse." The family was aware of his mental health issues. Rae Bajus wrote in a journal that she was "afraid for their safety and he might try to kill them." He had received treatment previously at the Baltimore Washington Medical Center and was scheduled to see a doctor to deal with his mental health issues a week after the murder. Baltimore Sun, 4/3/08, 8/7/08

Marriottsville, Howard, MD

Gordon N. Overby, a 25-year-old Baltimore man who told investigators he heard voices through a transmitter that he believed had been planted in his mouth, was found not criminally responsible in the fatal shooting of his stepfather. Overby's condition made him unable to understand and appreciate that what he was doing was criminal, Howard Circuit Judge Diane O. Leasure ruled. State mental health officials noted that he suffers from paranoid schizophrenia and he told them he "didn't know it was real" when he shot Webb six times at Webb's Marriottsville, MD home on 12/18/02. Overby's erratic behavior had also resulted in calls to police in the months before the shooting, and he had sought treatment at the VA Medical Center in Baltimore as recently as a few days before the shooting. Overby, whose biological father also suffers from schizophrenia, was even hospitalized a few times while he was on active duty in the Air Force. Overby will now be committed to Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center. Baltimore Sun, May 31/03 WBAL, 6/2/03

Baltimore, Baltimore, MD

Satrina Roberts, 31, a mentally ill woman from Southeast Baltimore, was charged with first-degree murder and child abuse in the death of her 15-year-old foster daughter. Police found Ciara Jobes' body in 12/2002 in Roberts' kitchen. She weighed 73 pounds, had as many as 700 wounds and bruises on the entire surface of her body and had been sexually abused. Autopsy results indicated she died from a combination of beatings and starvation. Roberts was also charged with possession of a deadly weapon - a belt and electric cord that police say were used to beat the girl. Since 1995, Roberts had

been receiving federal disability aid for a diagnosis of schizophrenia and bipolar disorder. Baltimore Sun, May 31/03 Baltimore Sun, 7/8/03 Baltimore Sun, May 1/04 Baltimore Sun, 8/31/04

Upper Marlboro, Prince George's, MD

Eric K. Pierson, 48, was fatally shot by two Prince George's County police officers on 6/2/03. Pierson, who had no fixed address, was walking along Route 202 in Upper Marlboro with two three-foot swords, one hanging from each hip. Police repeatedly asked Pierson to surrender the swords, and shot him after Pierson -- dressed in a cape, tight leather pants, thigh guards and shinguards -- drew what the officers believed was a handgun from his waistband. Authorities said that Pierson's relatives, most of who live in New York City, had not seen or heard from him in several years and that he had long suffered from mental illness. Washington Post, 6/6/03

North Potomac, Montgomery, MD

Sandrah Torquemada, of North Potomac was arrested 6/24/02, after her father found her at home with her aunt, Bertha Torquemada, 65, who had died of multiple stab wounds. She was found not competent to stand trial in October, and has remained under the care of doctors at Clifton T. Perkins Hospital. Torquemada could be held for up to 10 years. If she were not found competent to stand trial within those 10 years, the charges against her would be dismissed. At that time, Torquemada could be civilly committed if she is still a danger to herself or others. Montgomery County Gazette, 6/25/03

Hagerstown, Washington, MD

On 2/2/05, Maryland state prison inmate Kevin G. Johns Jr. strangled and used a razor blade to slash the throat of 20-year-old inmate Philip Parker, Jr. on a prison bus. At a court hearing the day before the incident, Johns was sentenced to life in prison without parole for having strangled a teenage cellmate in 2004. On 6/9/08, a judge found Johns guilty of first-degree murder but not criminally responsible in Parker's death. Johns was ordered to be committed to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Johns was diagnosed with bipolar disorder and hallucinations. In 6/2008, it was determined that Johns would remain incarcerated at a maximum-security prison while receiving treatment for his psychiatric illnesses from the state health department. The decision to come after the prison's warden and the security chief of the state's maximum-security psychiatric hospital concluded that the medical facility would not be able to keep its staff or patients safe with Johns there, even if he were confined to the ward reserved for the hospital's most dangerous patients. It marked the first time that a defendant committed to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene would be treated at a prison facility rather than a psychiatric institution. On March 26/09, the 26-year-old Johns was found dead in his cell in the Supermax Prison in Baltimore of an apparent suicide. Washington Post, 6/10/08, 6/23/08; WJZ.com; Baltimore Sun, 6/13/08, 6/24/08, 3/24/09; Houston Chronicle, 9/7/11

Hyattsville, Prince George's, MD

On 8/5/08, Brook T. Genet, 29, shot at an acquaintance and officers, then barricaded himself inside his Hyattsville apartment leading to a long standoff. Genet had a history of mental illness. In 2005, a judge authorized the District's Department of Mental Health to detain Genet for seven days after his mother called police to report that he was assaulting his sister. A police officer concluded Genet "is a danger to himself and others." A psychiatrist wrote that Genet had a history of bipolar disorder and had not taken his medication for a long time. Washington Post, 8/6/08

Date: 9/2002

Severn, Anne Arundel, MD

Valerie Ann Littleton, 46, a woman suffering from schizophrenia and depression, left her parents' home in Severn, MD on 9/10/02 after an argument with her mother and was never seen again.

The Capital (Annapolis), 9/10/03 Baltimore Sun, 2/18/04

Date: 9/2008

Overlea, Baltimore, MD

On 9/11/08, police said Roger Shifflett broke down the front door of a house and threatened to kill his ex-girlfriend. She was able to hide from him and call police to let them know. Then she jumped out a window to get away. Police tried to negotiate with him for 14 hours while Shifflett held three people at gunpoint inside the house. Police believe Shifflett was incoherent when they tried to negotiate with him during the hostage situation. "Hostage negotiators found it difficult to talk in a straight line with him. The conversation seemed to jump all over the place, so they decided it was best to have a psychiatric evaluation". WJZ.com Baltimore, 9/7/08

Date: 11/2000

Frederick, Frederick, MD

On 11/19, 2000, Elmer Spencer Jr. sexually assaulted and bludgeoned nine-year-old Christopher Ausherman to death at the Frederick, MD, public housing complex where the boy lived. Spencer's IQ tested below 70, the commonly accepted threshold for mental retardation. A repeat offender with a history of attacking women and children, Spencer was convicted in 1982 of raping and attempting to kill an 11-year-old Carroll County boy. He was diagnosed at that time as a paranoid schizophrenic and a pedophile. Christopher Ausherman's family contends that Spencer should have been sent to a state psychiatric hospital before being released into the general population. Rosa Cruz, a Division of Correction spokeswoman, said Spencer was not eligible for involuntary psychiatric commitment under current state criteria. Baltimore Sun, 9/12/03 Hagerstown Morning Herald, 9/15/03

Date: 9/2003

Baltimore, Baltimore, MD

Gloria Hopkins, a woman with mental illness, was shot and killed by three Baltimore city police officers in her home on

9/19/03. Hopkins, 48, had called 911 that afternoon, said she needed help and hung up. Later she placed a second call to 911 and told them she thought she was going to hurt someone, then hung up again. Three officers responded and found Hopkins standing in the living room window, holding kitchen knives with 7-inch blades in each hand in a threatening manner. Then she lunged at them, and they opened fire."

Ellicott City, Howard, MD

James M. Lane, 47, was found not criminally responsible for shooting and seriously wounding a school custodian in an Ellicott City, MD, drugstore on 8/2/03. A Howard Circuit Court judge committed Lane indefinitely to Clifton T. Perkins Hospital - the state psychiatric hospital in Jessup, MD. He was evaluated by staff members at the state Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and was found to suffer from numerous conditions, including schizophrenic bipolar disorder and antisocial personality disorder. Lane had not taken medication for two weeks when he entered the Rite Aid and shot Robert Lee Jackson Jr. four times. When asked about his reasons for shooting Jackson, Lane said he thought that Jackson was following him and trying to kill him. Baltimore Sun, 11/26/03

Wheaton, Montgomery, MD

On 2/3/05, Matthew Krese, a 46-year-old homeless man with bipolar disorder, died after being hit by a Metro train in a Wheaton, MD Metro station. His father said that Krese, who lost his right leg in an auto accident when he was 16, was also known to go off his psychiatric medication for months at a time. The Maryland medical examiner said that Krese's injuries were inconsistent with suicide, and police said they had a recording of Krese pacing near the tracks. Manassas Journal Messenger (VA), 2/4/05

Suitland, Prince George's, MD

David Robinson, 22, a man with paranoid schizophrenia, locked himself and six young children inside a Suitland, MD apartment and held police at bay for over six hours before surrendering on 6/15/04. Robinson had allegedly become angry with his mother as she tried to take his 13-month-old son to a doctor's appointment. He threw a butcher's knife at her and then barricaded himself in the apartment with the children. His brother said Robinson has been hospitalized several times and has been taking medication but sometimes forgets. Washington Post, 6/16/04

Baltimore, Baltimore, MD

Police were awaiting the results of an autopsy in the death of a man whose body was found on 7/12/04 by his girlfriend in the living room of his home in Baltimore, MD with a large knife wound to the neck. Detective Robert Dohony said Khari Brunson, 22, who was bipolar, drank bleach and may have overdosed on medication before apparently stabbing himself with a butcher knife. Baltimore Sun, 7/14/04

Glen Burnie, Anne Arundel, MD

Roger Lee Kronawetter, 41, beat fellow homeless man Martin David Dorsey, also 41, to death at a communal campsite in Glen Burnie, MD in 82003 during a drunken argument over their belongings. Kronawetter, who has bipolar disorder, had trouble obtaining his medications due to a transient, bicoastal lifestyle. Instead, to feel better, he drank alcohol. Prosecutors dismissed murder charges after Kronawetter entered an Alford plea to manslaughter. Baltimore Sun, 7/17/04 The Capital, 7/17/04 The Maryland Gazette, 7/21/04

Millersville, Anne Arundel, MD

Robert Charles Antonelli, 38, pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the 2/2/04, strangulation death of his girlfriend, Nancy Susan Kreamer, in their Millersville, Maryland home. He turned himself in, saying he needed help. He told investigators that he remembered arguing with Kreamer but not strangling her. He had previously been hospitalized for bipolar disorder. Baltimore Sun, 7/22/04 Baltimore Sun, October 14/04

Smithsburg, Washington, MD

On 11/12/03, Jack L. Hammersla Jr., a man with mental illness and a history of violent crime, murdered 68-year-old Shirley Finrock at her home near Smithsburg, MD. Assistant Public Defender Brian Hutchison said that Hammersla spent most of his adult life in an institution, ran away from home at age 12, and had chronic problems, including a form of schizophrenia. Hagerstown Morning Herald, 8/25/04; Herald-Mail, 11/22/06

Easton, Talbot, MD

Seven people, including a state trooper, were hurt when a man with mental illness carjacked two cars and led state police on a multiple county chase in Maryland on 9/9/04. The incident began when Williams forced his way into a car with two women inside at Memorial Hospital at Easton, MD. He drove off, collided with another car, and then abandoned the first vehicle and carjacked a second one. Williams' sister, Carol Williams, said he suffers from bipolar disorder and that the family had asked him not to be released from North Arundel Hospital two days before the incident, but he was allowed to sign himself out. "They shouldn't have let him out," she said. "He's not a criminal. We've been fighting for him for 10 years." The Maryland Gazette, 9/11/04

Lothian, Anne Arundel, MD

On 9/30/04, Gregory B. Taylor, a 20-year-old man from Lothian, MD, broke into a neighbor's home and attacked a 15-year-old girl who lived in the home and who he had previously tried to coerce into dating him. He blamed bipolar disorder, for which he'd never been properly treated, for his actions. Taylor's mother, Barbara Longo, said his father also had bipolar disorder and killed himself when he was 25 Assistant State's Attorney Pamela Alban said he failed to show up at most of his counseling appointments after a judge granted him probation on earlier charges. Annapolis Capital, 6/3/05

Berwyn Heights, Prince George's, MD

On October 29/04, a 53-year-old woman doused herself with gasoline and lit herself on fire in front of the Metropolitan Family Planning Center in Berwyn Heights, MD. An off-duty Maryland state trooper extinguished the flames, and the woman was then transported to the burn unit at Washington Hospital Center. She died early the next morning. The victim's husband said that she had "struggled with mental illness all of her life, and she lost." A neighbor said the woman had told him once that as long as she took her medicine she was all right. Greenbelt Gazette, 11/4/04 College Park Gazette, 11/10/04

Arbutus, Baltimore, MD

In 7/2004, Michael William Hall beat and stabbed his former girlfriend, Kari Nelson, 30, in her home in Arbutus, MD. Hall, 32, was sentenced to life in prison. Hall had been diagnosed with bipolar disorder and suffered from drug and alcohol dependencies.

Baltimore Sun, 4/28/05

La Plata, Charles, MD

Aaron L. Speed, a security guard from Charles County, MD was arrested and charged with arson for spreading flammable liquids and igniting fires that devastated a brand-new housing subdivision in La Plata, MD on 12/6/04. Speed's mother said that her son has bipolar disorder and has been hospitalized for mental health treatment from sometime in 2000 until 2/2002. Washington Post, 12/21/04

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