

United States Department of Justice
Office of Legal Affairs – Division of Missing Persons Determinations
Washington, D.C. 20530

DECLARATION OF PRESUMED DEATH

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Reference Number: DOJ-MPD-CR-11794

To Whom It May Concern,

Pursuant to **Title 5, U.S. Code § 5565** and the authority vested in the Department of Justice under federal jurisdiction concerning unsolved disappearances, the Department hereby issues this official declaration in the matter of:

Subject: Dr. Daniel A. Mead

Date of Birth: November 3, 193

Date of Disappearance: March 10, 2001

Last Known Location: Cambridge, Massachusetts

Following an exhaustive multi-agency investigation spanning over seven years, which included the coordinated efforts of the Massachusetts State Police, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and independent scientific boards, this Office has reviewed all available evidence and concludes that:

No verifiable evidence exists to support Dr. Mead's continued survival beyond the date of his disappearance.

Reports, physical evidence, and corroborating witness statements indicate that all logical avenues of search and recovery were pursued without success. Investigative records confirm no financial, digital, or biometric activity traceable to Dr. Mead since March 2001.

Accordingly, **Dr. Daniel Mead is hereby declared legally deceased**, with an **official date of death set as March 10, 2001**, in accordance with federal presumption-of-death guidelines.

This declaration does not preclude the continuation of investigative efforts should new, material evidence emerge in the future. However, for all legal, administrative, and estate purposes, this declaration is final and binding as of the issuance date.

We extend our sincere condolences to the family, colleagues, and community members impacted by this loss.

Respectfully,

Lydia M. Harper

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