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The state administered lethal injections to Jack Jones Jr. and Marcel Williams, both of whom were convicted of murders two decades ago.

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