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Man Wanted For Murder After DNA Report Connected Him to Woman Found Beaten to Death 'Beyond Recognition' on St. Croix

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Tyler Delroy Smith is wanted by the V.I.P.D. in connection with the June 2021 death of Nancy Nieves Naar. By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

ST. CROIX — The V.I.P.D. has charged a man named Tyler Delroy Smith with first-degree murder in connection with the [2021 homicide of Nancy Nieves Naar](#), who was found brutally murdered on the side of a road in Estate St. John in Christiansted. The woman was found "beaten beyond recognition," according to the V.I.P.D.

The investigation into the homicide revealed that Naar, 58 at the time, was followed by Smith to the area — located around 100 yards from the Judith's Fancy Entrance — who then attacked and

beat her to death, according to the police department.

V.I.P.D. Director of Communications Glen Dratte issued a release stating that the Criminal Investigations Bureau verified the evidence with a DNA report and requested a warrant for the arrest of Smith for first-degree murder, first-degree assault, and third-degree assault. The warrant was granted by Judge Darryl Donohue Sr. on Friday.

Smith is described as a black male, age 32, standing 5 feet, 8 inches tall and weighs about 150 pounds. He was born in Pennsylvania, however, Smith has lived on St. Croix for an extended period and speaks a mixture of U.S. mainland and Crucian accents.

Smith, who the V.I.P.D. said should be considered "extremely dangerous," is known to have lived in the La Grande Princesse area and frequents the Harbor View and John F. Kennedy housing communities. He does odd jobs for a living, according to the police department.

The Criminal Investigations Bureau is asking anyone who comes in contact or knows the whereabouts of Smith, to call 911, send an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers USVI [here](#), or call the C.I.B. tip line at 778-4950, or 340 712-6040.

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