

■ Marcos M. Cojab, 27, is tentatively scheduled to go to trial in October, along with his half-brother, Hugo Mata, 33, and Pedro Ruiz, 29, on charges Cojab ordered Mata and Ruiz to kill Deborah Owens, 37, in Ocean Township on Aug. 7, 1990, in an effort to hide his international drug-smuggling operation. Cojab faces a possible death sentence, while his co-defendants face a maximum of life in prison. All the defendants are from Miami. 30-08-92

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