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SDPD LOOKING FOR POSSIBLE VICTIMS OF IDENTITY THEFT SUSPECT/CON ARTIST

(San Diego) For the past five months, Jaton Aguon (2/10/81) has used his knowledge as a former Marine to commit identity theft and fraud and befriend unsuspecting individuals using various ruses. In one scheme, Aguon convinced young Marines and Sailors that he is a Marine Staff Sergeant and a recruiter and that he was putting them in a special Recruiting Assistance program. He put them up at hotels using stolen credit cards and, after gaining their trust, stole their personal identity information and money from their bank accounts. Detectives believe this has occurred 50 times in the past few months, including here in San Diego.

In another related scam, while wearing a Marine uniform, Aguon befriended an elderly woman in Oceanside by making up a story that his wife was killed in Iraq and that his daughter was terminally ill. Because the woman felt sorry for him, she invited him to her home, at which time he stole her identity and social security number.

Aguon has committed several acts of identity theft in several cities in California. He is a former Marine who left the Corps in 2004.

Aguon is now in custody at the SD Central Jail being held on two counts of vehicle theft, credit card fraud and obtaining money under false pretenses.

SDPD Western Division detectives are looking for addition victims of Aguon. If you believe you were a victim, please contact SDPD Western Division at (619) 692-4800.

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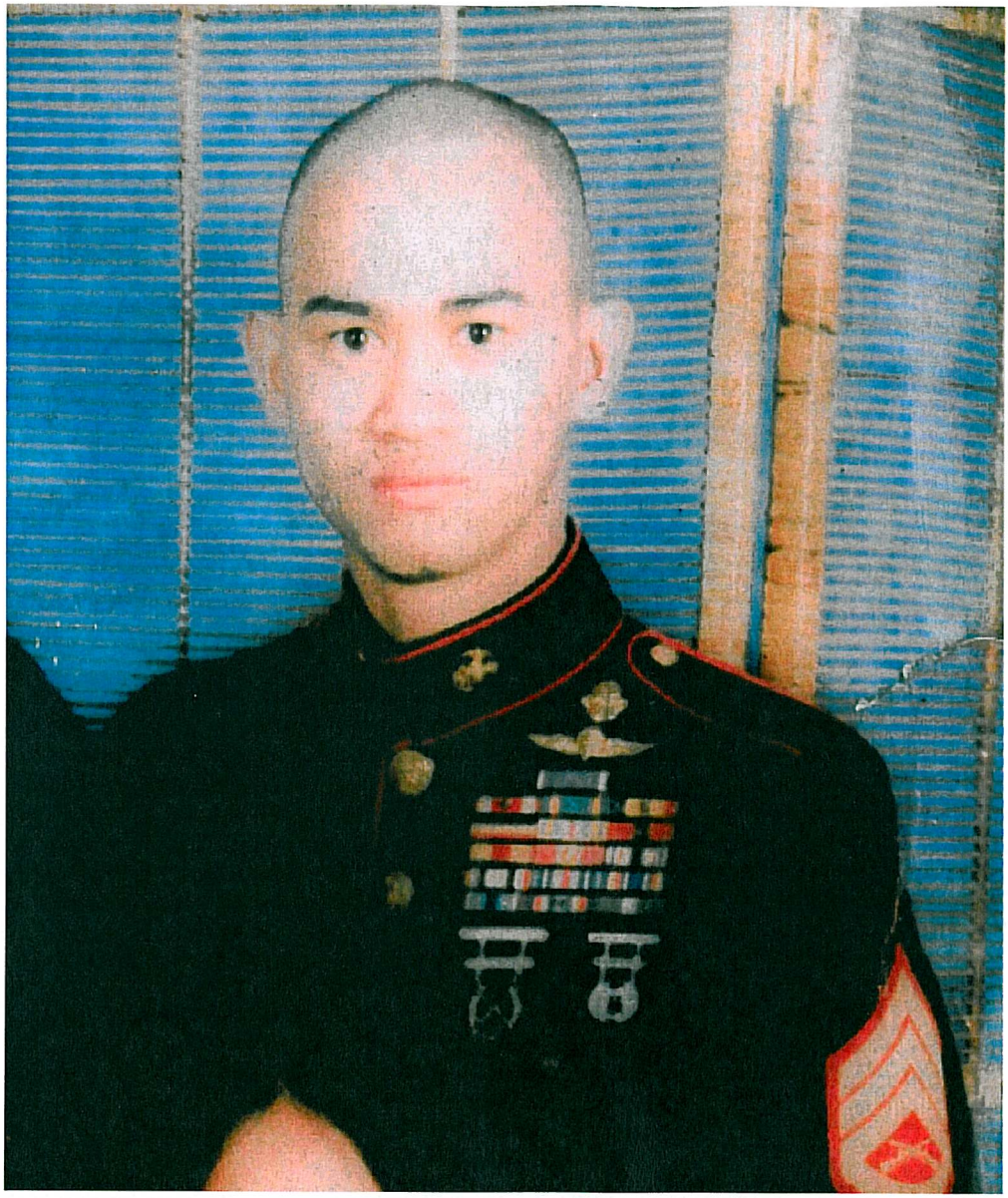
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Photo of Jaton Aguon