

Hypnosis used to gain kidnap sketches

SAN BERNARDINO—Hypnosis was successfully used as a tool to obtain sketches of one or two suspects in the murder of a San Bernardino woman and the kidnap of two of her daughters, police said Saturday.

Two witnesses were taken to Los Angeles Friday and each spent more than four hours under hypnosis. They were able to give detectives their most detailed descriptions yet of a man or two men seen outside the victims' home around the time of the crimes. A Los Angeles Police Department artist made sketches based on the witnesses' recollections.

The drawings are being distributed by police in hopes of locating Brandi Jondell Summers, 5, who suffers from cystic fibrosis, and her half-sister, Tiffany Wise, 2, both missing since March 30. Their mother, Beverly Wise, 26, was stabbed to death in the living room of her home the day of the kidnaping.

Police do not know if the two witnesses described the same person or not, because the sightings were made more than two hours apart.

The first suspect was seen outside the Wise home about 11:20 a.m. The man, dressed in a black leather jacket, was seen placing Tiffany into a solid colored gold car with a brown stripe along its side.

Sgt. John Klein said the witness originally thought the man was at the home at 2:30 p.m. But under

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Police released these sketches of one or possibly two men observed near the scene of the murder of a San Bernardino mother and the kidnaping of two of her children March 30. The drawing on the left is of a man seen putting a Tiffany Wise, 2, into a car at her home when she and her stepsister, Brandi Jondell Summers, 5, disappeared. The man on the right may be the same man, although he was seen at the house later in the day, police said.