

I was SEIZED
by a Class B dealer
and SOLD for
EXPERIMENTATION!



Conan

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This is the true story of a loving family pet named Conan who was seized by a Class-B dealer from a tax-payer funded county animal shelter to be sold into the life and death of experimentation.

Conan's story is of betrayal and concerns many citizens in Michigan. Conan's family, from Hillsdale County, was on vacation and arranged for someone to care for him. Like any playful curious dog, he escaped from his yard and ended up at the Jackson County Animal Shelter when they still practiced pound seizure (selling animals to Class B Dealers for experimentation).

Conan was held at the Jackson shelter for the minimum required days before being sold to a Michigan Class B Dealer. When his family returned from vacation, they searched everywhere for him but it was too late. **Conan was sold with his identifying rabies tags still on him (see photo).** His family eventually tracked him to a research facility in New York where Conan was utilized as an experimental subject and subsequently killed. His family was devastated.

The animal shelter, the Class B Dealer, and the research facility failed to contact Conan's family based on his identification tab. The protections of the Animal Welfare Act failed Conan.

Conan lost his life because Michigan still allows Class B Dealers to obtain stray and lost family pets for experimentation. An overwhelming majority of counties in Michigan have ended this practice, including Jackson County in 2006 due to public support. Five county tax-payer funded shelters in Michigan, however, still practice pound seizure.