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RE: Alarico Medina Sentenced to Life in Prison for Murder of Jacob Kissinger

Alarico Medina, DOB: 6-7-85, of Denver, appeared today in Jefferson County District Court and was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for the shooting death of 22-year-old Jacob Kissinger.

On May 18, after 27 days of trial, and a day and a half of deliberation, Alarico Medina was found guilty of first degree felony murder, manslaughter and two counts of first degree burglary.

Medina went to Kissinger's house at 2:00 a.m. on March 28, 2004, allegedly, with Ramirez and Martinez, to beat him up at the request of his (Medina's) girlfriend, Rachel Galindo. Evidence at trial was that Medina knocked on the door and when Kissinger answered, he (Medina) asked, "Are you Jake?" When Kissinger answered yes, Medina pointed a shotgun at him and shot him in the face, killing him.

Two co-defendants, Rachel Joy Galindo, DOB: 8-20-85, and Luis Ramirez, DOB; 2-16-86, have pled guilty and are awaiting sentencing. A third man charged in the case, Dante Martinez, DOB: 7-8-82 has a jury trial set for August 1, 2005.

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