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RE: Alarico Medina Found Guilty of First Degree Murder

After 27 days of trial and a day and a half of deliberation, a Jefferson County jury today found Alarico Medina, DOB: 6-7-85, of Denver, guilty in the death of 22-year-old Jacob Kissinger. The jury found him guilty of first degree felony murder, manslaughter and two counts of first degree burglary. He faces life in prison and will be sentenced on June 16, at 10:00 a.m. in Division 2 of the Jefferson County District Court.

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.

Medina went to Kissinger's house at 2:00 a.m. on March 28, 2004, 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.

Medina was remanded to the custody of the Jefferson County Sheriff.

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