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Arana-Del Angel gets maximum sentence

The man accused of helping Raul Gomez-Garcia leave Denver after the murder of Denver Police Officer Donald Young and the attempted murder of Officer Jack Bishop was sentenced today to the maximum possible sentence.

Jaime Arana-Del Angel (DOB: 05-26-78) was sentenced to twelve years in prison by Denver District Court Judge Robert McGahey. Chief Deputy DA Bruce Levin asked for the maximum sentence noting that Arana-Del Angel's actions were the cause of an extraordinary manhunt and forced a decision to file a second-degree murder charge against Gomez-Garcia. Officer Young's widow, Kelly Young, also spoke and asked for the maximum sentence.

Arana-Del Angel pleaded guilty to *accessory to crime* (F4), a single count that named both victims, on March 24, 2006. The factual basis for the plea was that Arana-Del Angel helped Gomez-Garcia bury the murder weapon and then leave Denver by leading him, in separate vehicles, westbound on I-70 out of Denver as far as Parachute, Colorado. He was not involved in the murder or attempted murder of the officers.

Gomez-Garcia is scheduled for a motions hearing in Denver County Courtroom 19 on June 28, 2006 at 8:30 a.m.