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GUILTY PLEA IN LODO SHOOTINGS

A man accused of shooting and killing a man and wounding six others near 15th and Market in November 2007 has pleaded guilty in connection with the case.

Anthony Chavez (dob: 10-19-82) pleaded guilty to second-degree murder (F2) in Denver District Court today. He faces 24 years in prison when he is sentenced on July 28, 2009.

On November 4, 2007 at about 2 a.m. a fight broke out as a nearby nightclub was closing. Chavez was identified as the suspect who opened fire at a group of people, killing 25-year-old Ted Padilla. Chavez, who fled to Mexico, eventually surrendered and was brought back to Denver to face charges.