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GUILTY PLEA IN ACCESSORY CASE

A 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 has pleaded guilty today.

Jaime Arana-Del Angel (dob: 05-26-78) pleaded guilty to *accessory to crime* (F4), a single count that names both victims. A second count of accessory to crime was dismissed. The factual basis for the plea was that Arana-Del Angel helped Gomez-Garcia 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.

Arana-Del Angel will be sentenced on June 1, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. in Denver District Courtroom 11. He faces a sentence that ranges from probation up to 12 years in prison.

Gomez-Garcia is scheduled for a preliminary hearing in Denver County Courtroom 19 on April 13, 2006 at 8:30 a.m.

The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual(s) committed a crime(s) under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. *See* Colo. RPC 3.6