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GUILTY PLEA IN LOUNGE DEATH

A 26-year-old man has pleaded guilty today in connection with the death of a young man outside of a Denver bar last year.

Tony Than (dob: 05-10-80) pleaded guilty to *criminally negligent homicide* (F5) in the death of 25-year-old Kevin Swider. Than is scheduled to be sentenced in Denver District Courtroom 23 on May 29, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.

On July 22, 2006 Swider was in the parking lot of the Funky Buddha Lounge at 776 Lincoln Street. He was knocked to the ground, causing him to hit his head and lose consciousness. He later died from his injuries at Denver Health Medical Center. Than and **John Duong** (dob: 02-15-75) are accused of punching Swider, causing the fall.

Duong has pleaded not guilty and is scheduled to appear in Denver District Courtroom 23 on May 1, 2007 at 1:30 p.m.