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BERRY SENTENCED TO PRISON IN 7-YEAR OLD BOY'S DEATH

Sarah Berry (dob: 05-31-85) appeared in Denver District Court today for sentencing in connection with her second-degree murder guilty plea in the death of Chandler Grafner in 2007.

Berry pleaded guilty in August and as part of the guilty plea agreement she received the maximum sentence of 48 years in prison. Ms. Berry did not make a statement during the hearing and was lead away at the conclusion in handcuffs.

Denver Deputy District Attorneys David Lamb and Verna Carpenter thanked all those involved in both the Philips and Berry cases. "This was a very tragic and sad case of child abuse and torture. It certainly makes you cherish your own children even more and recognize how important it is to watch out for the safety of all children in our community," Deputy District Attorney Carpenter told reporters following the sentencing.

Jon Phillips, the other co-defendant in the death of Chandler Grafner, was convicted at trial last month of first-degree murder, child abuse resulting in death, and tampering with evidence. He is currently serving life in prison without the possibility of parole, plus 49 years.

