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SENTENCE HANDED DOWN IN CISNEROS CASE

A man acquitted of killing his ten-year-old daughter but convicted of dealing drugs has been sentenced to prison today by a Denver District Court Judge.

Leo (Mickey) Cisneros (dob: 08-21-78) was sentenced to 15 years in the Colorado Department of Corrections today for his conviction for *possession of marijuana with intent to distribute* (F2).

Cisneros was found not guilty earlier this year of *child abuse resulting in death* (F2) by a jury that delivered a split verdict following the trial.

In the late evening hours of November 26, 2007, ten-year-old Auralia Cisneros was fatally injured after three men attempted to rob the Cisneros home. Chief Deputy DA George Poland urged the judge to consider the choices the defendant made, including the choice to sell marijuana out of a home where children were present, when considering the length of the sentence.

Cisneros also made a statement to the Court today, saying he was sorry for the decisions he had made. In sentencing him to 15 years in prison, the Court credited him with 647 days of pre-sentence confinement.