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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **MAN FOUND GUILTY OF DAMAGING EX-WIFE'S HOME**

A man accused of breaking into his ex-wife's home and causing thousands of dollars in damage was found guilty of all counts by a Denver jury today, following about 6 hours of deliberations.

**Ronald Smith** (07-12-53) was found guilty of second-degree burglary (F3) and criminal mischief (F4).

Smith was accused of breaking into his ex-wife's home in September 2010 and causing damage that included pouring an unknown substance into a baby grand piano, putting raw chicken parts into the heating vents and erasing the hard drive on a computer.

The case was prosecuted by Denver Deputy District Attorneys Shannon O'Connor and Courtney Johnston. Smith faces up to 18 years in prison when he is sentenced on November 18, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. in Denver District Courtroom 4G.

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