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GUILTY PLEA IN I-PAD ROBBERY

A man accused of stealing a newly purchased iPad from a man last year and injuring him has pleaded guilty in connection with the case today.

Brandon Smith (08-18-89) pleaded guilty to aggravated robbery and second-degree assault.

On April 15, 2010, Smith grabbed a bag containing an iPad from a man who had just purchased it from an Apple store. Strings from the bag were wrapped around the victim's hand and as Smith grabbed the bag there was enough force to tear away the skin from the pinky finger of the left hand. Smith was also later charged with solicitation to commit murder after a letter was intercepted in which he was asking a friend to "take care of" the victim. He pleaded guilty to the second-degree assault count in connection with that charge.

Under the terms of the guilty plea agreement, Smith will face between 15 and 25 years in prison when he is sentenced on October 28, 2011 at 1:30 a.m. in Denver District Courtroom 4G.

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