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### **WOMAN FOUND GUILTY AS ACCESSORY TO MURDER**

A Denver jury has returned a guilty verdict against a woman charged as an accessory in the murder of 16-year-old Alicia Martinez last October.

**Francesca Pagliasotti** (dob: 10-18-85) was found guilty of being an *accessory to first-degree murder* (F4), *false reporting to authorities* (M) and *abuse of a corpse* (M) following a week-long trial and about a day of deliberations.

She was accused of helping conceal the murder of Martinez by cleaning the crime scene and lying to police in October 2010. Her participation in the dismemberment of the victim and the fact her actions delayed the discovery of the victim will be aggravating factors at sentencing, when she will face up to 12 years in prison.

Pagliasotti is scheduled to appear in Denver District Courtroom 5H on July 13, 2012, at 8:30 a.m. to be sentenced.

The trial of co-defendant Edward "Tim" Romero is scheduled for June 19, 2012, in Denver District Courtroom 5H.

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