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VERDICT IN RHEE TRIAL

A man accused of murdering a business colleague in 2010 has been found guilty today of second-degree murder by a Denver jury.

Joong Rhee (DOB: 11-21-43) was convicted of second-degree murder and first-degree assault on an at-risk adult in the death of 64-year-old Hae C. Park nearly three years ago.

Park was reported missing from Adams County in March 2010. Several days later a crime scene was discovered at Rhee's office in Denver that shifted the missing person investigation to a homicide investigation. Rhee was charged with first-degree murder on April 16, 2010, even though the victim's body wasn't found until the following summer in 2011.

Chief Deputy DA Adrienne Greene and Deputy DA Andrew Luxen prosecuted this case, which spanned two weeks and more than a full day of jury deliberations.

Rhee will face up to 48 years in prison when he appears for sentencing on March 21, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. in Denver District Courtroom 5A.