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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **MAN SENTENCED TO LIFE IN WOMAN'S MURDER**

A 28-year-old man charged in the shooting death of 22-year-old Andrea Roan in December of 2011 has been sentenced today in Denver District Court.

**Ryan Miller** (dob: 07-02-84) was convicted in April of *first-degree murder* (F1), *second-degree kidnapping* (F4), *first-degree burglary* (F3), *first-degree trespass* (F5) and *third-degree assault* (M). Miller was sentenced to a mandatory term of life in prison without parole for the first-degree murder conviction. On the other counts he was given an additional 23 years in prison. The judge ordered the sentences to be served consecutive to each other.

On December 16, 2011, Miller shot and killed Roan, a former girlfriend, as she was driving away from her home in the 1200 block of Clayton Street. The young woman was on her way to work where she taught elementary school in Commerce City. The victim's mother and other family members spoke at the hearing, acknowledging and remembering the young teacher's accomplishments and the impact she had on her students.

A co-defendant, **Richard Leavitt** (dob: 02-08-84), pleaded guilty earlier this year to second-degree murder for his role in driving Miller to and from the crime scene and helping him hide the murder weapon. He was sentenced in May to 48 years in prison.

The case was prosecuted by Chief Deputy District Attorney Kerri Lombardi and Deputy District Attorney Kenneth Boyd.