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MAN SENTENCED IN HOURS-LONG STANDOFF AND SHOOTING

A man accused of firing multiple shots during a lengthy standoff with Denver police near 12th Avenue and Grant Street in 2013 has been sentenced to prison in connection with the case.

Shaun Michael Tobelmann (dob: 09-26-78) was found guilty earlier this year of 7 counts of attempted first-degree murder, 7 counts of first-degree assault on a peace officer, one count of third-degree assault and 23 counts of unlawful discharge of a firearm. He was sentenced this afternoon to a total of 96 years in prison.

On February 21, 2013, Tobelmann was involved in a domestic violence incident with his girlfriend, who called 911. Police responded to the location near 12th and Grant and came under fire from Tobelmann, who had barricaded himself inside his residence. Over the course of several hours he repeatedly fired rounds at officers who were inside the apartment building as well as officers posted on the street below. Several of the SWAT team members who were fired upon spoke at today's sentencing hearing. In handing down the sentence, Denver District Court Judge Eric Elliff addressed the officers and said that the City of Denver owed them a debt of gratitude for their service.

This case was prosecuted by Chief Deputy DA Adrienne Greene and Deputy DA Rebekah Melnick.