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GUILTY VERDICT IN INMATE ASSAULT CASE

A man accused of throwing feces and urine at Denver sheriff deputies on two separate occasions, while incarcerated in the Denver Detention Center, has been found guilty on all counts yesterday by a Denver jury. The jury deliberated for about 15 minutes.

Calvin Johnson (dob: 06-24-71) was convicted of two counts of *second-degree assault* (F4).

On January 8, 2016, Johnson created a mixture of feces, water, and/or urine while in his jail cell, which he referred to as a “sh**bomb”. He then lured a deputy sheriff to his cell and struck him on the front side of his upper body with the material. On January 10, 2016, Johnson stuck a different deputy sheriff with a similar mixture. The testimony showed Johnson intended to provoke the deputies to a physical fight because his demands about his meal schedule, including the addition of a cookie, were not being met. Johnson was in the detention center awaiting trial on a separate first-degree murder charge, which he was found guilty of on June 2, 2016.

Both cases were prosecuted by Denver Chief Deputy District Attorney Julie Hill and Deputy District Attorney Lindsay VanGlider. Johnson represented himself at both trials.

Johnson is facing life in prison without parole for his conviction on the murder charge, and an additional 12 years for the assaults. He will be sentenced in both cases on July 22, 2016, at 8:30 a.m. in Denver District Courtroom 5A.

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