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**TWO MEN SENTENCED FOR FEBRUARY 2017 ROBBERY & SHOOTING DEATH
NEAR RTD RAIL STATION**

Both men charged in connection with the robbery and shooting death of another man near a west Denver light rail station in February 2017 were sentenced today in Denver District Court.

Nathan Valdez (dob: 01-07-1998) pleaded guilty in February to *murder in the second degree* (F2), *second degree kidnapping* (F4), and *aggravated robbery-gun* (F3). He was sentenced today to 58 years in prison.

Ever Valles (dob: 05-07-1997) pleaded guilty last November to *aggravated robbery* (F3) and *accessory to murder* (F4). He was sentenced today to 29 years in prison.

Valles and Valdez robbed the victim, 32-year-old Tim Cruz, at gunpoint at approximately 1:00 a.m. on February 7, 2017, near the RTD Light Rail Station at 12th and Sheridan. Mr. Cruz was subsequently shot and killed.