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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Greeley Man Sentenced in Attempted First Degree Murder Case

Greeley, CO - On Tuesday May 17, 2016, Judge Thomas Quammen sentenced David Baldizan (d.o.b. 12/12/79) was sentenced to 20 years in the Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to Attempted First Degree Murder arising from a work-place stabbing.

The incident occurred on January 13, 2014 at an oil and gas site northeast of Greeley. During a work-break, Baldizan, a long-time gang member, stabbed his co-worker several times in the face and head while the victim napped. Although the victim suffered serious injuries, he survived the attack. The two men knew each other outside of work because Baldizan was involved in a romantic relationship with the victim's sister. According to police reports, the relationship ended after allegations of domestic violence which led to the victim's family demanding that Baldizan move out of their home. The defendant maintained that mental illness played a role in the stabbing. Baldizan is alleged to have exhibited strange behavior around the time of the attack and in the weeks leading up to it.

Deputy District Attorney Raj Chohan prosecuted the case.

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