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Woman Sentenced to Probation and \$30,611 Restitution in Jewel Theft

Huda Wadie Muhaisen (DOB 03/02/47) today pleaded guilty to felony theft and was sentenced to one year probation for stealing diamonds from a Denver Merchandise Mart jewelry store.

Muhaisen also was ordered to immediately pay \$30,611.70 in restitution.

Muhaisen was charged with one count of felony theft (F3) of diamonds from Legino Diamonds at the Denver Merchandise Mart on March 11, 2014. Class 3 felony theft covers thefts of \$100,000 to \$1 million. She pleaded guilty to an added count of felony theft (F5) as part of a plea agreement.

Adams County District Judge Katherine Delgado sentenced Muhaisen to one year probation and ordered that the restitution be paid today. In imposing the sentence, Delgado noted that Muhaisen has no prior criminal record.

The theft was initially estimated at \$100,000 in diamonds, but that amount was later reduced. Deputy District Attorney Edward Bull told the court that Muhaisen had previously paid or returned jewelry valued at \$37,618.85 and that this, in addition to the restitution payment ordered by the court, amounted to full restitution to the victim in the case.

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