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Man Sentenced to 36 Years for Attempted Murder in KFC Parking Lot Shooting

Thomas Thursby Flynn was sentenced to 36 years in prison for attempted first-degree murder Wednesday in the shooting of a man in the parking lot of a Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant in Westminster last July.

Jerome Campbell, 49, was shot in the head in his vehicle at the parking lot of the Kentucky Fried Chicken at 92nd Avenue and Federal Boulevard head shortly before 7 p.m. on July 16, 2016. Flynn fled the scene and turned himself into police the next day. Campbell survived.

Flynn (DOB 08/16/85), of Westminster, was on probation in a felony menacing case when the shooting took place. He posted \$100,000 bond in the attempted murder case and was re-arrested September 29, 2016 when he was found in possession of more than 218 grams of methamphetamine and two handguns with fully loaded magazines.

Deputy District Attorney Natalie Scarpella asked the judge for lengthy sentence, noting that Flynn was on probation in another felony case when he shot Campbell and committed more crimes after that. "The only reason Mr. Flynn is not facing the rest of his life in prison is because Mr. Campbell miraculously survived being shot point blank in the face," she said at the sentencing hearing.

Campbell told the judge that he had lost vision in one eye as well as his sense of smell after being shot in the face.

Flynn pleaded guilty to attempted first degree murder (F2) on January 23. He also pleaded guilty to possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine and special offender in possession of a firearm in the September 29 arrest. He also admitted to violating probation in the 2015 case.

Adams County District Judge Donald Quick sentenced Flynn to 36 years in prison on all of his pending cases.

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