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Man Convicted of First-Degree Murder in Parking Lot Shooting

Jose Alfredo Ocampo was convicted Monday on charges of first-degree murder and attempted first-degree murder in the fatal shooting of a man last May.

Adams County deputies found Michael House, 29, shot in the parking lot of the Super 8 Motel at 5888 Broadway in Adams County on May 4. House and his girlfriend, Amanda Lafferty, had gone to the motel to drink and smoke methamphetamine when House and Ocampo became involved in an argument that became a fist fight. During the fight, Ocampo pulled out a handgun and put it to House's head.

The couple left the room and were in the parking lot when Ocampo (DOB 09/17/78) and Kenneth Bastidos (DOB 07-01-86) came out of the apartment and got into a Jeep Cherokee. They drove to where House and his girlfriend were standing, and Ocampo, who was sitting in the passenger seat, fired at House multiple times.

An Adams County District Court jury deliberated about four hours before convicting Ocampo on all counts after a one-week trial. He was convicted of first-degree murder after deliberation (F1), first-degree murder extreme indifference (F1) and attempted first-degree murder (F2).

Ocampo is set for sentencing at 8:30 a.m. Nov. 15 in Division L of Adams County District Court.

Bastidos previously pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and will be sentenced at 8:30 a.m. Nov. 9 in Division L.

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