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**Man Convicted of First-degree Murder in Henderson Shooting Death**

An Adams County District Court jury convicted Christopher Toney on charges of first-degree felony murder in the shooting death of Christopher Stockwell.

The jury returned its verdict Friday after a week-long trial. Toney (DOB 06/23/79) also was convicted of manslaughter, burglary and trespassing.

On February 16, 2017, Toney drove from Wheat Ridge to Henderson to confront Stockwell at a residence where Stockwell was house-sitting about marijuana Toney contended Stockwell had stolen. Toney knocked on the front door and tried to open several windows, before reaching inside a parked SUV outside the home and using the garage door opener to gain entry where he attempted to steal a motorcycle that was inside the garage.

Stockwell opened a door leading to the garage and the two exchanged gunfire. Stockwell retreated inside the house and locked the door. Toney went to the end of the driveway and fired four more shots, one of which struck Stockwell in the back of the head and killed him.

Toney will be sentenced at 1:30 p.m. November 9 in Division E.

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