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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **MAN CONVICTED IN REAL ESTATE SCAM**

A Denver Jury has reached a verdict on a man and his wife accused of violating Colorado's racketeering law in Denver District Court.

**Alfonso Carrillo** (dob: 11-17-61) was found guilty of violating the Colorado Organized Crime Control Act (F2), conspiracy to commit theft (F4), eight counts of theft (F4), two counts of first degree criminal trespass (F5), two counts of second degree burglary (F3), two counts of forgery (F5), and two counts of attempts to influence a public servant (F4). He was found not guilty of two counts of theft (F4).

Carrillo found homeowners facing foreclosure and convinced them to relinquish their property for a nominal fee, misrepresenting it as a way to avoid foreclosure. He would then "sell" the properties to others using phony documents. Carrillo also illegally gained access to empty homes and took thousands of dollars in payments from unsuspecting "buyers" who were later forced to vacate the properties once the mortgage lenders or actual property owners discovered people living there unlawfully.

Carrillo, who had been released on bond, was taken into custody to await sentencing. His sentencing hearing is set for February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014, at 1:30pm in Denver District Courtroom 5B.

His wife, **Maria Carrillo** (dob: 06-02-62) was a co-defendant in the case, and was found not guilty of theft (F4).