



**May 19, 2011  
PRESS RELEASE**

On August 5, 2010 Bruce Willis Rickey, DOB 9-20-1961 of Ramah, Colorado was arrested by the Elbert County Sheriff's Office on multiple charges related to the violation of restraining orders and the public harassment of county residents.



On April 18, 2011 a jury found Rickey guilty of three of these charges including:

- Count 1 - Harassment, a Class 1 Misdemeanor - following in public with ethnic intimidation
- Count 2 - Harassment, a Class 3 Misdemeanor- following in public
- Count 3 - Protection order violation - a Class 1 Misdemeanor

For conviction on these charges Rickey was sentenced to 12 months jail time in the Elbert County Detentions Center on count 1, 6 months jail time on count 2 to run concurrent with Count 1 and 6 months jail time on count 3 to run concurrent with Counts 1 & 2.

Sheriff Shayne Heap believes that the enforcement of restraining orders is an important function his office performs for the residents of the county. He is committed to making sure actions such as those by Rickey are taken seriously and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.