Case #:  2004-50281

Date:  10/25/04

Location:  South Federal Blvd. and West Florida Avenue

Synopsis:  On the morning of October 25th, 2004 Nicolas Ferrel-Ibarra was collecting receipts and cash from the check cashing business he worked at. Then as Mr. Ferrel-Ibarra approached his vehicle, he was confronted by two armed assailants. In an effort to avoid being robbed, Mr. Ferrel-Ibarra entered his vehicle and attempted to drive off. It was at this point that Mr. Ferrel-Ibarra was shot and killed by the gunmen. Denver Police Homicide Detectives issued an arrest warrant for Felipe Jesus Buelna (03/09/76) during the initial investigation. To date, suspect Buelna remains at large.

Friends and family members of Nicolas Ferrel-Ibarra remember him as a fearless man. He worked as a journalist in Juarez, Mexico and here in Denver. At the time of his murder, Mr. Ferrel-Ibarra was married with two young daughters.

The Denver Police Department’s Cold Case Unit is seeking information that will lead to the arrest and prosecution of the suspect(s) responsible for this murder. If you have information that could assist with this or any other unsolved case, you can help investigators by calling the Denver Police Department at 720-913-2000 (24 hours a day - seven days a week) or by calling the Crime Stoppers Tip Line at 720-913-STOP (7867). Callers may remain anonymous and receive a reward up to $2,000.