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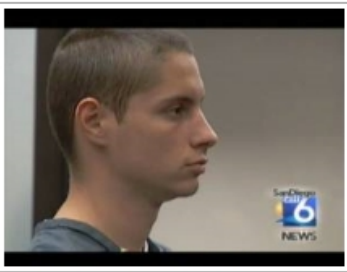
### Son Enters Plea in Bludgeoning Death of Father

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SAN DIEGO - A man accused of bludgeoning his 64-year-old father to death as the victim slept in their University City apartment pleaded not guilty Friday to murder.



Nikola Chivatchev, 24, allegedly hit his father, Alexander, several times with a 12-pound dumbbell about 1:30 a.m. Wednesday while the older man was in bed.

Deputy District Attorney Michael McCann told Judge David Szumowski there were numerous witnesses and that the defendant made admissions in the case.

The defendant, who was born in Bulgaria, graduated from high school in San Diego and attended Mesa College before dropping out, had threatened to kill others in the past, the prosecutor said.

He was ordered held on \$1 million bail and faces 26 years to life in prison if convicted.

#### Father Murdered

An argument turned deadly between a University City man and his father.

Neighbors say they were wakened from their beds around 1:15 Wednesday morning by screams for help. They were frightened by what they heard.

"She was just screaming bloody murder," says one neighbor.

"It wasn't like a general 'Help!' - it was like a cry for life," says another.



Darren Chaker describes what he saw when he went to the second floor of the apartment complex to help. "The mother was in a night gown drenched in blood standing in the hallway."

The couple's 24-year-old son is in custody for bludgeoning his father to death. He told neighbors his Dad was a bad man.

"He seemed very coherent. He seemed very proud of to have done what he did. He said, 'Go look at him -- his guts are hanging out,'" described a neighbor.

Friends of the 64-year-old massage therapist have a very different impression.

"He was a very kind person -- he was very nervous and concerned for the last few months," says Nader Parsia.

Parsia says he was worried about his finances and wanted to go back to his native country, Hungary, but stayed because he wanted his kids to get a good education and have a better life.

Now his son could spend most of the rest of his life behind bars if he is found guilty of ending his father's life.

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