

Derek Chauvin changes plea to guilty in George Floyd federal civil rights case



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Minneapolis, December 17 (RHC)-- In the U.S. state of Minnesota, former police officer Derek Chauvin has pleaded guilty to a federal charge of violating George Floyd's civil rights. Chauvin had previously pleaded not guilty but changed his plea after he was found guilty of Floyd's murder in a closely watched

trial last spring.

As part of his plea deal, Chauvin also pleaded guilty to violating the civil rights of a Black 14-year-old during a 2017 arrest. Chauvin grabbed the teen by the throat, hit him repeatedly in the head with a flashlight and pressed his knee into the boy's neck while he was prone, handcuffed and not resisting.

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