



NEWS RELEASE

March 16, 2006

Contact: Lynn Kimbrough, 720-913-9025

MAN USING PHONE DATING SERVICE CHARGED IN ASSAULTS

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has charged a man with kidnapping and assault in two cases in which he is accused of meeting women through a telephone dating service before victimizing them.

Cornelius Coleman (11-13-87) is charged with two counts of *second-degree kidnapping* (F2) and two counts of *aggravated robbery* (F3) in connection with an incident on February 26, 2006. The charges allege that Coleman arranged to meet a 36-year-old victim through a phone dating service and pulled a gun on the woman and her daughter once they met. The charges allege he robbed them before they were able to get away.

Coleman is also charged with *second-degree kidnapping* (F2), two counts of *sexual assault* (F2), *aggravated robbery* (F3) and *second-degree assault* (F4) in connection with an incident on March 10, 2006. The charges allege that Coleman arranged to meet an 18-year-old victim through a phone dating service, then pulled a gun on her once they met and physically and sexually assaulted her and robbed her.

Coleman is scheduled to be advised of all the charges on March 20, 2006 at 9 a.m. in Denver County Court, room 12T. He remains in custody. His bond has been set at \$200,000 in the February case and \$300,000 in the March case.