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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **TWO CHARGED IN ROBBERY AND KIDNAPPING**

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a man and a woman accused of kidnapping and robbing a man in May 2010.

**Aaron Ayers** (dob: 02-02-63) and **Eleanor Bourne** (dob: 04-16-79) are charged with *aggravated robbery* (F3) and *second-degree kidnapping* (F2).

The charges allege that on May 11, 2010, Bourne and Ayers approached the victim at East 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Yosemite Street and threatened the victim with a knife. The charges further allege that the two defendants got into his car and drove him to a fast food restaurant and then to an ATM where he was forced to withdraw money. The case has remained under investigation, and DNA found in the car and local surveillance video assisted in identifying Ayers and Bourne as suspects.

Ayers and Bourne remain in custody. Ayers is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 on November 23, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. for a preliminary hearing. Bourne is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 on November 22, 2010 at 8:30am to be formally advised of the charges.

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