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FAMILY MEMBERS CHARGED IN ESCAPE

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged three family members accused of helping Carlos Romero escape last week. Romero was being held in the Denver County Jail when he was taken to Denver Health Medical Center on November 30, 2006 and escaped.

Theresa Archuleta (DOB: 04-27-55) **Rufina Archuleta** (DOB: 02-12-30) and **Amadeo Archuleta** (DOB: 09-17-58) are each charged with two counts of *aiding escape* (F3) and two counts of *conspiracy to escape* (F4, F5). They are Romero's mother, grandmother, and uncle respectively.

The charges allege that all three family members were involved in the planning and executing of Romero's escape.

All three defendants remain in custody in the Denver County Jail. Bond is set at \$100,000. They are scheduled to appear in Denver County Court on December 7, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. to be formally advised of the charges.

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The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual(s) committed a crime(s) under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. *See* Colo. RPC 3.6