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NEW CHARGES FILED IN 2006 HOMICIDE

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has charged a man in connection with a homicide that occurred in October of 2006, at a Denver nightclub.

Christopher Gauthier (DOB 06-09-1975) is charged with *first-degree murder* (F1), *attempted first-degree murder* (F3), and *first-degree assault resulting in serious bodily injury* (F3).

On the night of October 8, 2006, the charges allege that Gauthier and three other co-defendants, **Annette Fernandez** (DOB 04-12-1976), **Ray Lucero** (11-02-1984), and **Anthony Rodriguez** (DOB 07-18-1977) got into an altercation at a nightclub in the area of Alameda and Tejon streets. The charges also allege that the four defendants were involved in a fight with at least ten people. Three victims were injured in the attack and one man, 44 year-old, Eugene Morales, died of his injuries which included severe head and facial trauma and a broken neck after being brutally beaten with different objects including a metal barstool.

Gauthier remains in the Denver County Jail without bond. He scheduled to be advised of the charges on October 30, 2007, in Denver County Courtroom 12T, at 8:30 a.m.

The other co-defendants were charged earlier in the year and are still awaiting trial.