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## SUSPECTED RAPIST CHARGED IN THIRD CASE

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a man in connection with a brutal kidnapping and sexual assault case that occurred in 1996.

**Gradie Miles** (dob: 01-31-67) is charged with *sexual assault*, three counts of *first-degree aggravated sexual assault* (F2), *second-degree kidnapping* (F2) and two sentence-enhancing counts of *crime of violence*.

The charges allege that on February 5, 1996 Miles lured a married couple into a backyard in the 1700 block of Spruce Street where he physically attacked them and sexually assaulted the woman. The unsolved case was reopened by Denver police detectives as part of the Cold Case Project and Miles was identified as a suspect through a DNA match.

Mile was charged in June 2008 with robbery, attempted sexual assault, menacing and third-degree assault in a case that occurred in May 2008. He was also charged last month with sexual assault in a case that occurred in 1993 which was also reopened as part of the Cold Case Project. All three cases are pending.

Miles remains in custody in the Denver County Jail. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Court, room 12T, on February 10, 2009 at 9 a.m. to formally advised of the charges.