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GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENT IN PARKING LOT DEATH

A woman previously charged with murder in the parking lot death of another woman has been indicted this week on additional counts by a Denver Grand Jury in connection with the case.

Nadine Montoya (05-26-83) is now charged by indictment with two counts of *murder in the first-degree* (F1), two counts of *vehicular homicide* (F3/F4), one count of *leaving the scene of an accident* (F3), and one count of *assault in the first-degree* (F3). She had previously been charged by Complaint and Information with one count of *murder in the first-degree* (F1); this charge will be dismissed in light of the Grand Jury indictment.

The charges allege that in the early hours of May 29, 2009, Montoya ran over 49-year-old Lilian Verdonkschot in the parking lot of a restaurant after an altercation in the drive-through lane. The victim was transported to a local hospital but died a few hours later from her injuries.

Montoya remains in custody in Denver County Jail where she is being held without bond. Her next court appearance has not been scheduled.

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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

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