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CHARGES FILED IN SERIAL BURGLARIES

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a man accused of at least a dozen burglaries in the DU area over the last year.

Tarius Simes (dob: 05-19-76) is charged with *conspiracy to commit second-degree burglary* (F4), two counts of *theft by receiving* (F4) and thirteen counts of *second-degree burglary* (F3)

The charges allege that between October 2008 and September 2009, Simes repeatedly burglarized homes, typically stealing small electronics such as laptops, often while residents were sleeping nearby.

Simes remains in custody in the Denver County Jail; his bond is set at \$500,000. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Court, 12T, on October 1, 2009 at 9 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