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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **MAN CHARGED IN WIFE'S MURDER**

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a man accused in the murder of his wife just over a week ago.

**Christopher Perea** (dob: 03-31-12) is charged with two counts of first-degree murder (F1) and one count of second-degree kidnapping in the death of his wife, 44-year-old Loretta Barela.

On Sunday, November 18, 2012, Denver police and paramedics responded to 1500 block of South Carlan Court where the body of the victim was found. Perea was taken into custody and remains in custody at the Denver Detention Center where he is being held without bond. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 on November 29, 2012, at 9:30 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

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