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WOMAN CHARGED AFTER DAMAGING CLYFFORD STILL PAINTING

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a woman accused of damaging a painting at the Clyfford Still Museum last week.

Carmen Tisch (dob: 03-07-75) is charged with *criminal mischief* (F3).

The charges allege that on December 29, 2011, at about 3:30 p.m., Tisch was at the museum at 1250 Bannock Street in Denver when she approached a painting and proceeded to scratch, hit and lean against the painting. The value of the painting is estimated at between \$30 and \$40 million dollars and the treatment cost for restoration purposes is currently estimated at about \$10,000.

Tisch remains in custody in the Denver County Jail; her bond is set at \$20,000. She is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 on Friday, January 6, 2012, at 9:30 a.m. to be formally advised of the charge.