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## ALLEGED SERIAL ROBBER CHARGED

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a man suspected in a series of armed robberies including several at the same location. The charges were filed last week.

**Jonaphar Johnson** (dob: 07-29-85) is charged with eight counts of kidnapping (F2) and four counts of aggravated robbery (F3).

The charges alleged that Johnson robbed an Auto Zone store on East Colfax Avenue on July 29, 2013, holding four employees at gunpoint and stealing an undisclosed amount of money.

Additional charges are likely; Johnson is a suspect in numerous other similar robberies in Denver and Aurora dating back more than a year.

Johnson remains in custody; his bond is set at \$50,000. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 for a preliminary hearing on September 3, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.

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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