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MOTHER CHARGED IN SCALDING ABUSE

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a woman accused of causing serious injury to her 4-year-old son by placing him in scalding water.

Tanya Lake (dob: 09-01-90) is charged with one count of child abuse causing serious bodily injury (F3).

The charge alleges that on April 3, 2013, Lake caused severe burns to the child by putting him into a bathtub of scalding hot water. The victim was taken to The Children's Hospital in Denver, but because of the severity of the injuries he was later transferred to a hospital in Texas that specializes in burn treatment.

Lake was taken into custody in Texas, and is awaiting extradition to Colorado to face the child abuse charge.

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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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