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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **CHARGES FILED IN MURDER OF TEEN**

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a 20-year-old man today in connection with the shooting death of a 13-year-old in Denver on August 30, 2013. Two other juvenile co-defendants have also been charged in the case.

**Marquise Lewis** (dob: 07-1693) is charged with *first-degree murder* (F1).

**Keon Belton** (dob: 02-12-98) and **Lonnie White** (dob: 01-02-96) have been charged as juveniles with first-degree murder (F1). White is likely to be charged as an adult later this week. Belton, because of his age, will remain charged as a juvenile until a decision is made on a transfer hearing request.

The charges allege that on August 30, 2013 at about 11:15 p.m., Lewis, Belton and White were involved in an altercation in the 4600 block of Eugene Way. The charges further allege that they fired shots from a moving vehicle a short time later, killing 13-year-old Reysean Abram in the 4700 block of Enid Way.

Lewis remains in custody in the Denver Detention Center where he is being held without bond. He will be advised of the charge in Denver District Courtroom 5H on September 13, 2013, at 8:30 a.m.

Belton and White remain in custody in a juvenile facility at this time.

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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