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WOMAN CHARGED IN HIT/RUN DEATH

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a woman accused in the fatal hit/run crash that occurred early Sunday morning on Colfax Avenue.

Brenda Montoya (dob: 11-08-84) is charged with leaving the scene of an accident resulting in death (F3), vehicular homicide (F4) and no insurance (T1).

The charges allege that in the early morning hours of February 8, 2015, Montoya was driving recklessly at a high rate of speed when she hit a pedestrian, 22-year-old Andrew Marthaler, and then fled the scene. Marthaler died at the scene.

Witnesses provided information to Denver Police detectives, who were then able to identify Montoya as a suspect. She was arrested within several hours of the crash at her home in Federal Heights. She remains in custody; her bond is set at \$50,000. She is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 on February 12, 2015, 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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