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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **MAN CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER IN FRIEND'S DEATH**

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a man with manslaughter in connection with the shooting death of a friend.

**Joel Sovine** (dob: 10-08-63) is charged with manslaughter (F4) and tampering with physical evidence (F6).

The charges allege that on November 21, 2015, Sovine and 54-year-old Gregory Carlson were at Carlson's apartment in southwest Denver when Sovine shot and killed Carlson. The charges further allege that Sovine later threw the gun into the South Platte River. He was arrested a few days later in Westminster.

Sovine remains in custody and is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 on December 8, 2015, at 8:30 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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