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MAN CHARGED IN FATAL CRASH

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a man accused of vehicular homicide after a crash last week which resulted in the death of a local reporter.

Jesus Carreno (dob: 02/27/1993) is charged with one count of *vehicular homicide-DUI* (F3) and one count of *vehicular homicide- reckless driving* (F4).

The charges allege that on the evening of August 31, 2016, Carreno was driving eastbound on Speer Boulevard when he fatally struck a pedestrian at the corner of East 1st Avenue and Downing Street. According to the probable cause statement, alcohol appeared to have been a factor. The pedestrian was identified as 60-year-old Colleen O'Connor, a reporter with The Denver Post.

Carreno has been released from custody on a \$50,000.00 bond. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Court for his second advisement on Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 1:30 p.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*

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