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DENVER GRAND JURY INDICTS VIOLENT DRUG RING

A Denver Grand Jury has returned a 46-count indictment charging 17 people with violating Colorado's Organized Crime Control Act. The criminal enterprise, all members of a west Denver methamphetamine and heroin drug ring, is accused of multiple crimes that include solicitation to commit murder (F2), assault (F3), kidnapping (F2), sexual assault (F3), robbery (F3) and intimidation of a witness (F3). The defendants are:

Raquel Avila (10-01-95), Edgar Barroso (02-10-86), Anthony Gonzales (03-08-1991), Steven Hillen (02-09-1998), Eugenio Juarez (10-01-1991), Rachel Kautz (06-22-1983), Emilio Masias (10-05-1990), Steven Miramontes (12-05-1991), Sara Montes (12-13-1991), Eulices Murillo (09-21-1983), Aryana Oliver (01-20-1980), Leroy Oliver (08-01-1964), Eric Pinedo (02-02-1994), Juvenal Tamayo (07-30-1980), Carlos Tiznado (08-22-1995), John Vega (04-19-1983), and Pedro Valdez (02-21-1985).

The charges allege that the defendants worked together to distribute methamphetamine and heroin at several houses in Denver, and that they committed numerous other crimes to protect and further their illegal activity. The investigation was led by Denver Police Detectives Danny Perez, Nick Werth and Joey Perez.

Most of the defendants were already in custody; new bonds have been set ranging from \$75,000 to \$500,000. The majority of defendants will make their first appearance in Denver District Courtroom 5D on Thursday, June 9, 2016.