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MAN CHARGED IN 1999 SEXUAL ASSAULT COLD CASE

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a man accused of kidnapping and sexually assaulting an adult woman in a cold case dating back to 1999.

Albert Matthews (dob: 07-23-64) has been charged with *second-degree kidnapping* (F2) and *first-degree sexual assault* (F3).

In October 1999, the 44-year-old victim was estranged from her husband. The charges allege that late in the evening of October 11, 1999, Matthews invited the victim to stay with him, but while walking to his home he attacked the victim, forcing her through an alley into a backyard where he assaulted her.

The case was unsolved until March 2015, when the defendant was identified as a suspect based on a DNA match linking him to the 1999 sexual assault. Further investigation by Denver's Cold Case Project resulted in Matthews' arrest on July 2, 2016.

Matthews remains in custody; his bond is set at \$100,000. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 on Monday, July 11, 2016.

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