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MAN CHARGED IN DEADLY FEBRUARY LODO SHOOTING

Denver District Attorney Beth McCann has formally charged a man in connection with the February shooting death of a man in downtown Denver.

Devante Crawford (dob: 07-22-1998) is charged with one count of *murder in the first degree* (F1), one count of *assault in the first degree* (F3), and one count of *intimidating a witness or victim* (F4). Charges were direct filed in Denver District Court on June 1.

The defendant is accused of shooting and killing 33-year-old Clarence Thomas in the pre-dawn hours of February 25, 2017, near 15th and Market streets in lower downtown. Another man was shot and wounded. Crawford was arrested by Denver police on May 26, 2017.

Crawford is being held without bond in Denver city jail. He is scheduled to appear in district courtroom 5A on June 6, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. for advisement.

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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