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3rd MAN CHARGED IN 7-ELEVEN ROBBERY/SHOOTING DEATH

Denver District Attorney Beth McCann has formally charged a third man in connection with the alleged July 9 robbery and shooting death of a man in the parking lot of a 7-Eleven store in the 500 block of E. Colfax Avenue.

Rushawn Wharton (dob: 12-11-1975) is charged with one count of *murder in the first degree-felony* (F1) one count of *robbery* (F4), and one count of *assault in the third degree* (M1).

Charges were direct-filed in District Court late yesterday afternoon. Wharton was arrested for the 7-Eleven incident on July 14.

Co-defendants **David Houston** and **Keondre Neblett** are each charged with one count of *murder in the first degree-felony* (F1) and one count of *robbery* (F4). Both were arrested on July 9 and charges against them were filed July 13.

The three defendants are accused of variously participating in a sequence of events at the 7-Eleven store in the early morning hours of July 9, 2017, involving the beating, robbery and shooting death of 39-year old Justin Slyter.

Wharton's next court appearance has not yet been scheduled. Both Neblett and Houston had advisement hearings on July 18. Neblett is scheduled to appear in District courtroom 4H at 8:30 a.m. on July 24, 2017, when further court proceedings will be set. Houston is scheduled to appear in District courtroom 4H at 8:30 a.m. on July 31, 2017, when further court proceedings will be set.