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MAN CHARGED IN SHOOTING DEATH OF WIFE

Denver District Attorney Beth McCann has formally charged a man in connection with the shooting death of his wife last week.

Cain Wilkens (dob: 01-28-1974) was formally charged with one count of *murder in the first degree* (F1). He was arrested on January 22 and the charge was direct-filed in Denver District Court last Friday afternoon.

Wilkens is accused of shooting his wife, 30-year-old Clarissa Wilkens, in the early morning hours of January 21, 2018, following a birthday party at their residence in the 1500 block of S. Albion Street. Wilkens alleged in a statement to police that his wife had shot herself.

First appearance in district court has not yet been scheduled.

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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