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Denver DA McCann Charges Timothy Wempen with Engaging in A Riot

DENVER—Last Saturday night, a riot broke out in Denver which city leaders denounced. Denver DA Beth McCann joined with other leaders and pledged to hold offenders accountable for any criminal violations. Today, DA McCann announced that prosecutors with her office filed charges against Timothy Wempen (age 22) for his alleged role in Saturday’s events. He is accused of throwing three large fireworks into the plaza at Denver Police Headquarters which caused injury to a Denver Police officer.

“My message to those who rioted on Saturday or who may be thinking of rioting in the future is that Denver will hold you accountable for your actions,” said Denver DA Beth McCann. “We will prosecute people who are alleged to have injured police officers and damaged property.”

Wempen is charged with engaging in a riot (F4), using explosives or incendiary devices (F2), assault in the second degree (F4) and attempted assault in the second degree (F5). His case number is 20CR04950.

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<p>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</p>
