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## Denver DA Charges Neil Hagerty with Assaulting a Peace Officer

**DENVER**—Prosecutors with the Denver DA's Office today announced that a criminal case was filed in Denver District Court against 57-year-old Neil Hagerty. Hagerty is charged with three felony counts: one count of second degree assault on a peace officer (F4) and two counts of attempting to disarm a peace officer (F6). Hagerty also faces two misdemeanor counts of resisting arrest (M2).

Just after midnight on April 14, 2023, a uniformed Denver Police Department officer was interviewing a complainant in front of an apartment building when it is alleged Hagerty exited the building and ripped the badge off of the officer's chest. Prosecutors allege Hagerty then used the pin of the badge and cut the officer's throat while Hagerty simultaneously attempted to pull the officer's firearm out of the holster. The injured officer called for cover and upon arrival, prosecutors allege that Hagerty continued fighting and injured the second Denver police officer as Hagerty tried to disarm that officer.

This is Denver District Court case number 23CR2117. Hagerty is next scheduled to be in court for Advisement on April 21, 2023, in courtroom 2300.

## About the Denver DA's Office:

Our mission is to professionally and competently prosecute crimes and investigate criminal activity on behalf of the people of the State of Colorado and to seek equal justice for all in the criminal justice system. Our mission includes the prevention and deterrence of crimes, support of the well-being of victims, participation in the community, transparency, accountability, and improvement of the criminal justice system to provide fair alternatives to incarceration in appropriate cases.

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.