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MURDER CHARGE FILED IN WOMAN'S DEATH

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a man with murder today who is accused of sexually assaulting a woman who later died from exposure.

Willie Trimble (dob: 02-13-62) is charged with *felony murder* (F1) and two counts of *sexual assault* (F3 and F4).

The victim, a 61-year-old Denver woman, was found by a Denver police officer in the alley behind the 3500 block of Clayton Street after someone reported hearing cries for help on December 9, 2007. She told police that she had been on her way home from work and has just gotten off a bus at Bruce Randolph Avenue and Clayton Street when she was attacked. She died several hours later at the hospital from hypothermia due to environmental exposure.

Through the efforts of the Denver Police Department's Sex Crimes Unit, Homicide Unit, and the Crime Laboratory, Willie Trimble was identified as a suspect and was taken into custody on December 17, 2007 by the DPD Fugitive Unit.

He remains in custody in the Denver County Jail. His bond is set at \$150,000. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Court, room 12T, on Monday, December 24, 2007 at 9 a.m. to be advised of the charges.