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MAN CHARGED IN CHILD ABUSE CASE

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a 35-year-old man accused of child abuse.

John Allen (dob: 7-7-74) is charged with *child abuse resulting in serious bodily injury* (F3) and *child abuse* (M1).

The charges allege that Allen abused a 15-year-old child by whipping him with an extension cord. It is further alleged that Allen forced the victim to drink soapy bleach water as punishment. Allen was charged earlier with misdemeanor child abuse involving two additional victims, ages 7 and 8, in a case still pending in Denver County Court.

Allen is currently in custody in the Denver County Jail. His bond is set at \$50,000 and he is scheduled to appear in court on July 22, 2009 at 9 a.m. to be advised of the charges.

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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