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MAN CHARGED IN HIT/RUN CAR CHASE

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has formally charged a 42-year-old man with multiple felony counts following a series of hit and run crashes on March 29, 2014.

Louis Casias (dob: 05-20-71) is charged with two counts of *vehicular assault* (F4 and F5), leaving the scene of an accident resulting in serious bodily injury (F4) and *vehicular eluding* (F5),

The charges allege that Casias was driving a stolen vehicle under the influence of alcohol in the early morning hours of March 29, 2014 when he caused two crashes, one at Colfax Avenue and Kalamath Street, and another at Speer Boulevard and Chopper Circle. Casias was taken into custody after the vehicle he was driving hit a tree.

Casias has been released from custody on a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in Denver County Courtroom 2100 on April 14, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. to be formally advised of the charges.

He may face additional charges out of Lakewood.

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