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Man Pleads Guilty to Assault

A man accused of assaulting his common-law wife during an April 2012 trip in a camper across three states pleaded guilty today to first-degree assault (F3) and attempted unlawful sexual contact (F5).

Tom Joe Grose (DOB 02/26/49) initially was charged with second-degree assault, first-degree kidnapping, second-degree kidnapping, sexual assault and first-degree assault with a deadly weapon. His trial was to begin Monday in Adams County District Court.

He was arrested April 25, 2012 in the parking lot of a Wal-Mart at 9901 Grant Street in Thornton, where the camper-truck was parked.

He faces a sentence of 10 to 20 years in prison and must register as a sex offender, according to terms of the plea agreement. Grose will be sentenced at 9 a.m. Dec. 6 in Division F of Adams County District Court.

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