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**Woman Who Hit Husband with Car Faces Murder Charges**

17<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney Dave Young today announced the filing of first-degree murder and vehicular homicide charges against Nancy Jo Arias (DOB 02/16/76) in the death of her husband on Monday.

Arias is charged with first degree murder (F1) and vehicular homicide (F4) in the death of Phillip Anthony Lobato, 38.

The charges allege that Arias ran over Lobato, 38, with her car after he struck her several times in the face during an argument that began in the car. The incident took place at about 12:30 a.m. Monday at 2735 W. 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in Westminster.

Arias was arrested by Westminster police at the scene. She will be advised of the charges at 8:30 a.m. Thursday in Division E of Adams County District Court.

The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual committed a crime under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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