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Jahvell Daquan Forrest Charged with Attempted Murder of a Police Officer

17th Judicial District Attorney Dave Young today announced the filing of charges of attempted first-degree murder and assault against Jahvell Daquan Forrest (DOB 10/16/94) in the shooting of Aurora Police Officer Ryan Burns on Nov. 14.

The charges allege that Forrest shot at Burns and Officer Dale Leonard during a traffic stop of a stolen vehicle in the 1700 block of Fulton Street in Aurora.

Forrest is charged with six counts of attempted first-degree murder (F2) including two counts of attempted first-degree murder of a peace officer, two counts of attempted first-degree murder after deliberation and two counts of attempted first-degree murder with extreme indifference.

He also is charged with two counts of first-degree assault (F3), two counts of first-degree attempted assault (F3) and one count of first-degree aggravated motor vehicle theft (F5). Forrest is also charged with two counts of committing a crime of violence, which is a sentencing enhancer.

Forrest was advised of the charges in Adams County Court on Monday. He is held on \$1 million bond. A preliminary hearing is set for 2 p.m. Jan. 8 in Division 6 of Adams County 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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