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**Man Charged with Murder of 14-year-old At Aurora Apartment Complex**

17<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Attorney Dave Young announced Thursday the filing of first-degree murder charges against James Jason Tobias Lee in the shooting death of a 14-year-old boy outside an Aurora apartment complex last week.

Marcell Jay Johnson, 14, was shot and killed on September 2 outside the Fitzsimons Apartments at 1568 Nome Street in Aurora. A 17-year-old boy also was shot in the arm but survived. Lee (DOB 08/11/97) was arrested the next morning.

The Adams County Coroner determined the cause of death was a gunshot wound to the chest.

Lee is charged with first-degree murder after deliberation (F1), attempted first-degree murder after deliberation (F2), two counts of attempted first-degree murder with extreme indifference (F2), and second-degree assault (F4).

Lee will be advised of the charges at 8:30 a.m. Thursday in Division F of Adams County District Court. He is held without bond.

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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