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Woman Charged with First-degree Murder in Aurora Stabbing Death

17th Judicial District Attorney Dave Young announced Monday that Chanel Marie Bell has been charged with first-degree murder in the stabbing death of her mother.

Aurora officers responding to a 911 call on July 22 found 54-year-old Esther Kristina Lockett unresponsive at 1741 N. Clinton Street. She was pronounced dead at University Hospital.

Bell (DOB 10/23/85) was advised of the charges Monday in Adams County District Court. A preliminary hearing is set for 1:30 p.m. on December 12 in Division Q 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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