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PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: April 12th, 2016
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Re: Charges Filed in Death of Woman Found in Trunk

Greeley, CO – On Monday, April 11th, District Attorney Michael J. Rourke filed charges on David Wayne Batty (DOB 09/16/62). Mr. Batty is facing Murder in the First Degree (F1) and Abuse of a Corpse (M2). His first hearing is set for today, April 12th, at 1pm in Division 5 of Weld County District Court.

A Greeley Police Department release from March 17th, 2016 read as follows:

“On March 16, 2016 at about 4:45 PM Greeley Police Officers responded to the 1400 block of 9th Avenue on report of a body found inside a residence. The discovery was made by two Parole Officers when they contacted a parolee at that residence. While checking the apartment on a routine unannounced home visit they discovered the body and notified police. The parolee, **David Wayne Batty DOB 091662** was detained and transported to Weld County Jail on Parole violations. The body was found inside a chest type trunk in a closet in the apartment. The body is that of a female adult, and the identification has not been completed at this time. This investigation continues and an autopsy will be completed on the victim to determine the cause and manner of death.”

Assistant District Attorney Robb Miller stated “in cases where initial investigation by law enforcement is ongoing, arrest affidavits are sealed to protect the integrity of the case.”

No further information is available at this time.

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