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**Nicholas Antley Arrested For Falsely Reporting An Incident
and Attempting to Influence A Public Official**

On June 19, 2019, Nicholas Antley was arrested on charges of attempting to influence a public official, violating felony bond conditions, possessing a weapon as a felon and false reporting of an incident.

In April of this year, Mr. Antley had claimed that his estranged wife, Elena Michael, had assaulted him in their home, chased him into the driveway, and had armed herself with a shotgun. Antley further alleged that, as he tried to flee, Ms. Michael then shot at him through the driver's side window of his vehicle. Based on Antley's version of events, as well as the physical evidence at the scene, Ms. Michael was arrested and charged with second-degree attempted murder and related charges.

After an extensive investigation by the Boulder County Sheriff's Office and the District Attorney's Office, the charges against Ms. Michael were dismissed. The additional investigation also included an analysis of cell phone location data and bullet trajectory. Based upon the determination that Mr. Antley's report to law enforcement was false, the Defendant will be charged with attempting to influence law enforcement's decisions and actions related to Ms. Michael.

District Attorney Michael Dougherty stated, "We appreciate the outstanding work by the investigators with the Boulder County Sheriff's Office. In every case, we have a continuing obligation to ensure that the right outcome is reached. Given the serious nature of the allegations made by Mr. Antley, the exhaustive investigation by the Sheriff's Office was especially important."

As in every criminal case, the charge is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until or unless proven guilty.