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BUCKLEY DEATH INVESTIGATION

The District Attorney's Office has determined that no criminal charges will be filed in the shooting death of Jeffrey Lynn Buckley. This incident occurred on February 12, 2012, on Cherry Avenue in Loveland, Colorado, and was investigated by the Larimer County Sheriff's Office.

The investigation found that the incident involved a disturbance between Mr. Buckley and Wendy Vita Hart, with whom he had been involved in a long relationship. Ms. Hart informed investigators with the Sheriff's Office that Mr. Buckley was intoxicated, had become very physically aggressive, and that she feared for her life. Ms. Hart stated she shot Mr. Buckley in self defense. The investigation confirmed a number of facts which corroborated Ms. Hart's statements, including evidence that she had barricaded herself in the bathroom of the shared residence and that there were contusions on the knuckles of Mr. Buckley's right hand, consistent with punching an object.

The District Attorney's Office has determined that Ms. Hart's allegations that she was in fear of imminent death or great bodily injury and that she shot Mr. Buckley in self defense cannot be disproven, as is required under Colorado Law. Therefore, no criminal charges will be filed.

Should new or additional evidence be presented to law enforcement, the case is subject to review.