



Maricopa County Attorney

ANDREW P. THOMAS

301 W. JEFFERSON, SUITE 800
PHOENIX, AZ 85003
www.maricopacountyattorney.org

PH. (602) 506-3411
TDD (602) 506-4352
FAX (602) 506-8102

This Just in from the Maricopa County Attorney's Office.....

March 3, 2010

County Attorney Andrew Thomas announced today that a criminal complaint has been filed against Gabriel Aguilera (DOB 08/28/90) in connection with a chase that ended in death for a passenger in the car he was driving.

According to the probable cause statement filed by Glendale Police, on February 22, 2010, a citizen called 911 to report an auto theft in progress. Maricopa County Sheriff's deputies spotted both the suspect vehicle and the stolen Dodge Intrepid. Both vehicles failed to stop and the MCSO began a pursuit. Aguilera was allegedly driving the stolen vehicle as it failed to stop at the security checkpoint at an entrance to Luke Air Force Base.

The pursuit of the allegedly stolen Intrepid continued on Luke Air Force Base. The Intrepid approached a security vehicle roadblock without stopping. Security personnel fired at the approaching vehicle which missed the Air Force vehicle and security personnel but collided with a concrete barricade at a high rate of speed. A single passenger was pronounced dead at the scene. Aguilera was taken to a hospital and later arrested.

On March 1, 2010 the County Attorney's Office filed a direct complaint against Aguilera accusing him of:

- One count of First Degree Felony Murder
- Two counts of Aggravated Assault
- Two counts of Theft of Means of Transportation
- One count of Conspiracy to Commit Theft of Means of Transportation
- One count of Unlawful Flight from a Law Enforcement Vehicle

Deputy County Attorney Mark Barry is prosecuting the case.

Thomas stated, "Those who flee law enforcement put police and the community in harm's way. This alleged offender will be aggressively prosecuted."

**If you have any questions please contact Mike Anthony Scerbo at
602-506-3170 (office)
602-489-6913 (cell)**