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AFFIDAVIT: VICTIM'S SON ADMITS TO KILLING

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A Colorado Springs man burst into his parents' bedroom early Thursday and fatally stabbed his father as he lay sleeping in his bed, police allege in an arrest affidavit.

When police arrived, Sean Fitzgerald, 36, confessed to the murder of his father, prominent local surgeon Dr. Edward Fitzgerald, 63, according to the arrest affidavit released Friday.

"I did it," Sean Fitzgerald said unsolicited to a detective Thursday morning. "I killed my own father in front of my mother."

Kim Fitzgerald told police she pushed her son off her husband just before 2:20 a.m. before calling police, who found Edward Fitzgerald with "torso injuries." Paramedics could not revive Edward Fitzgerald, and he was pronounced dead at the scene.

The affidavit is silent on a possible motive for the murder. Sean Fitzgerald is under suicide watch at the El Paso County jail, where he is being held without bond.

He appeared before El Paso County Court Judge Regina Walter on Friday to be advised that prosecutors intend to seek first-degree murder charges.