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## Convicted ex-cop still avoiding state prison

March 30, 2011 | By SALVADOR HERNANDEZ

A former Anaheim police officer sentenced to four years for sexually assaulting women has been able to delay his trip to state prison for more than three months, filing motion after motion in court, which has kept him in county jail.

Bradley Stewart Wagner's criminal case has been in court since Nov. 22, 2005, when the 34-year veteran was first **charged with sexually assaulting** undocumented women near Disneyland, using his badge to pull them over. In May 2010, Wagner pleaded guilty to four felony counts of sex crimes under the color of authority.

According to testimony in the trial, Wagner hoped to receive probation instead of the possible nine years in state prison he faced if convicted in a trial.

Sheriff's records indicate Wagner was taken into custody Dec. 16 and is being housed in Men's Central Jail.

But since December 2010, 10 hearings have been scheduled in Santa Ana Superior Court, which included a series of motions that have been filed on behalf of the former Anaheim officer.

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Bradley Stewart Wagner

The **OC Weekly first reported on Wagner's list of motions**, which have effectively kept him from being transferred out of county jail and into state prison.

The 63-year-old ex-officer has claimed that his former defense attorneys were incompetent and has requested that he be released on bail to disprove the allegations of the victims. His wife, the Weekly reported, has alleged in court documents that her husband has been ill and fainting in county jail, and that his condition may worsen if he is transferred to state prison.

"The defendant has filed several motions for several reasons," said Farrah Emami, spokeswoman for the Orange County District Attorney's office. "The court keeps rejecting them."

Lt. Hal Brotheim of the Orange County Sheriff's Department said hearings scheduled in county court have kept Wagner in county jail. Taking him to state prison would have required he be transferred from state prison back to county custody repeatedly during hearings, he said.

In the meantime, Wagner receives credit for time served in county jail.

Inmates sentenced to state prison are transferred twice a week, and it usually takes two or three weeks after an inmate's court hearings are finished for the inmate to be taken back to prison, Brotheim said.

According to Wagner's records, his last hearing was scheduled for March 16, Brotheim said. He is scheduled to be transferred to state prison to finish the remainder of his term April 6.

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