## Former officer reaches molestation settlement

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COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — The lawyer for a former Colorado Springs police officer accused of inappropriately touching adolescent boys says the children's families have reached a possible \$9.4 million civil settlement with public agencies.

Joshua Carrier's lawyer Joshua Tolini made the statement in court Friday.

Carrier is accused of molesting 22 boys while serving as a volunteer wrestling coach at Mann Middle School. Carrier is being tried a second time.

Earlier this year, a jury convicted Carrier of 21 counts related to child pornography and acquitted him on 36 counts of inappropriately touching boys. It deadlocked on 150 more counts.

The Gazette reports that at least 15 families sent notices of claim to Colorado Springs School District 11 and other public agencies after Carrier's arrest (bit.ly/Uywb). The notice is required before suing governmental agencies.

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