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Hearing postponed for Long Beach Police officer charged with sex crimes

Noe Yanez, 40, charged with 39 counts relating to 13 underage girls.

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LOS ANGELES -- Arraignment and a bail reduction hearing was postponed Wednesday for a Long Beach Police Officer charged with 39 criminal counts related to sex crimes with more than a dozen underage girls.

Noe Yanez was already under suspicion of lewd behavior with one minor and possession of child pornography when he was charged last week with dozens more criminal counts for allegedly engaging in lewd acts with 13 girls, all under 18, dating back to 2008.

Yanez, who worked in patrol during his entire nine year career with the LBPD, was immediately placed on unpaid leave at the time of his initial arrest in April. He was able to post bond, but was arrested once again last week and is being held in lieu of \$950,000 bail at the Men's Central Jail in Downtown Los Angeles, according to his booking information.

Yanez is scheduled to return to the Criminal Justice Center in Downtown Los Angeles on June 14.

He is charged with 39 criminal counts, including misdemeanors and felonies, for sex-related acts with 13 girls between January of 2008 and April of this year.

Police and prosecutors have not said if Yanez used his job as a patrol officer to target his victims.

The criminal complaint alleges unlawful sexual intercourse, oral copulation, penetration with a foreign objection and providing alcohol to a minor. Included are seven counts of false imprisonment by violence;

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Long Beach Police Officer Noe Yanez (Photo from the 2006 Long Beach Police Department yearbook)

including one girl who was allegedly held against her will last Christmas Eve. And the complaint includes dozens of counts of misdemeanor child molestation, felony contact with a minor for a sexual offense and meeting a minor for lewd purposes.

Yanez is being prosecuted by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Public Integrity Division and the investigation remains open, police and prosecutors said.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Long Beach Police Department Sex Crimes Detail's Tip Line at 562-570-7878. Anonymous tips can be sent via text or email to www.tipsoft.com.

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