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Man Charged For Leading Police on High-Speed Chase

A Los Angeles man was charged today for leading police on a high-speed pursuit that ended when his car struck several vehicles that injured four people, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Tyree Francis (dob 8/26/92) was charged in case BA454480 with two counts each of assault upon a peace officer, assault with a deadly weapon and evading a peace officer. He also faces one count each of evading a peace officer causing injury, hit and run, felon in possession of a firearm and misdemeanor hit and run.

Francis is expected to be arraigned today in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Garrett Dameron of the Crimes Against Peace Officers Section is prosecuting the case.

On Feb. 8, Francis allegedly evaded Los Angeles police officers in a car and led them on a high-speed pursuit on the 110 Freeway. After eluding officers, Francis was found in a shopping center where he's accused of nearly hitting two LAPD officers and two pedestrians with his car.

A second chase ensued on Los Angeles streets and Francis struck four vehicles, injuring four people. After he was no longer able to drive his car, Francis surrendered and was arrested.

A day earlier, Francis also allegedly evaded officers in a pursuit.

If convicted as charged, Francis faces a possible maximum sentence of 137 years to life in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.