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**Two Doctors Arrested  
For Violating Bail Conditions**

Two doctors who were out on bail awaiting trial have been arrested in court for having violated their conditions of bail, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Dr. John Dimowo, 56, was arrested today in court when he appeared just days before his trial was scheduled to begin in case BA417100, said Deputy District Attorney John Niedermann with the Major Narcotics Division.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Mildred Escobedo granted the prosecutor's motion to revoke bail and remanded the Walnut physician.

Dimowo, who was out on \$60,000 bail on a restricted prescribing license, wrote dozens of prescriptions to his patients in violation of the court's orders, prosecutors alleged in the motion. He remains in custody on \$120,000 bail. He returns to court on April 24 for jury trial in Department 100.

On Thursday, Dr. Daniel Shin, 49, was arrested in court when he appeared for a pretrial hearing in case BA421892, Niedermann said.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Charlaine Olmedo granted the prosecutor's motion to revoke bail alleging multiple violations of his bail conditions. Specifically, while out on \$230,000 bail, the Santa Monica physician was not permitted to practice medicine and had to surrender all of his prescription pads.

During the months while out on bail, prosecutors allege that Shin used other physicians' identities to sell hundreds of illegal prescriptions that resulted in hundreds of thousands of OxyContin pills being sold on the streets by dealers.

He was remanded in court and is being held on \$500,000 bail. He returns on April 27 to Department 105 at the Foltz Criminal Justice Center for a pretrial hearing.

In the last two years, five physicians charged with various counts of illegally prescribing drugs and released on bail with a suspended or restricted license to prescribe have been re-arrested for continuing to prescribe. One of the five has been re-arrested multiple times.

Niedermann and Deputy District Attorneys Emily Street and Ryan Dibble are handling the cases.

The cases remain under investigation by the Medical Board of California and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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