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Man Allegedly Impersonating A Police Officer Charged

LOS ANGELES – A 28-year-old man was charged today with pretending to be a police officer and robbing and assaulting a woman at an El Segundo hotel on Saturday, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Wesley Robert Stepp (dob 2-20-85) is scheduled to be arraigned after 1:30 p.m. at the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Airport Branch, Department 144.

Stepp is charged in case SA 084148 with second degree robbery, first degree burglary with a person present, three counts of sexual battery by restraint, false imprisonment by violence, impersonation of a police officer and possession of a billy club, said Deputy District Attorney Linda Loftfield.

Stepp allegedly met the female victim on Saturday at the hotel, pushed her to the ground, handcuffed her and told her he was a police officer. He allegedly demanded money not to arrest her. When she said she didn't have any, he allegedly sexually molested her.

Prosecutors will ask that his bail be set at \$145,000.

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