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Former Maywood Police Officer Sentenced to Prison

A 33-year-old former Maywood police officer was sentenced today to 19 years in state prison after pleading no contest to sexually assaulting five female victims while he was on duty in 2006 and 2007, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Ryan Allen West, who was the Maywood Police Department's K-9 officer, earlier pleaded no contest to two counts of rape and three counts of penetration of a foreign object involving five women who ranged in age from 20 to 50 years old.

Deputy District Attorneys Stephanie Sparagna and Rosa Alarcon with the Justice System Integrity Division prosecuted the case.

Sparagna said the incidents occurred between October 2006 and May 2007, all while West was in uniform and on duty.

Authorities launched an investigation in 2007 after one victim went to a hospital and reported she'd been raped by an officer. During the investigation, four more victims were discovered. West left the Maywood Police Department in March 2008.

In exchange for his plea, Superior Court Judge George Lomeli dismissed the remaining 37 counts against West.

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