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**Former School District Food Services Director Charged  
With Public Integrity Crimes**

The former director of food services for the Los Angeles Unified School District has been charged with more than a dozen counts including misappropriation of public funds, embezzlement of public funds and conflict of interest, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

David Glenn Binkle (2/28/62) is expected to be arraigned today in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center. He is charged with 15 felony counts in case BA459686: three counts each of misappropriation of public funds by a public officer, embezzlement of public funds and conflict of interest; five counts of perjury; and one count of forgery.

Between 2010 and 2014, Binkle is alleged to have funneled approximately \$65,000 from LAUSD to a culinary club that he controlled as president, prosecutors said. He also is alleged to have placed some of those funds into his personal bank account.

During this time period, the defendant also is accused of forging an application to become a vendor to LAUSD and misappropriating school district funds. Binkle additionally failed to report his outside financial interests, as is required of a public employee in his position.

The alleged offenses were discovered in August 2013 after an LAUSD audit, according to the charging document.

If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a maximum sentence of 13 years, eight months in state prison. Bail is recommended at \$220,000. The case was filed for arrest warrant on Aug. 2.

Deputy District Attorneys Susan Ser and David Barkhurst of the Public Integrity Division are assigned to the case, which remains under investigation by the District Attorney's Bureau of Investigation.

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