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Pair Charged in DUI Related Case

Two people have been charged in connection with an alcohol-related incident in Glendale four months ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

James Michael Kelly (dob 8/21/71) faces one misdemeanor count each of driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage and driving with .08 percent or more blood alcohol content. Case 8GDO3097 was filed on Aug. 31 and it includes an allegation that Kelly's blood alcohol concentration was .20 percent or more.

Nicole Mehringer (dob 3/23/71) is charged with one misdemeanor count of public intoxication.

Attorneys for both defendants entered not guilty pleas today on behalf of their clients. A pretrial hearing is set for Oct. 17 in Department 2 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Glendale Branch.

Kelly was allegedly driving and Mehringer was a passenger when they were both detained near Lomita Avenue and Brand Boulevard on April 27, prosecutors said. Both defendants are employed by the Los Angeles Police Department and were off-duty when the incident occurred.

If convicted as charged, Kelly and Mehringer each face a possible maximum sentence of 180 days in jail.

The case remains under investigation by the Glendale Police Department.

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