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New York Fire Captain Charged with Sexually Molesting Two Children

A New York City Fire Department captain has been charged with sexually molesting two young boys while he was in Los Angeles in September, Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Wilbert Riera (dob 8/24/63) has been charged in case BA429510 with six felony counts of lewd act on a child under 14. The felony complaint for arrest warrant was filed on Sept. 19 by the Sex Crimes Division.

The complaint alleges the lewd acts occurred between Sept. 12 and Sept. 14. Prosecutors will ask that his bail be set at \$2.6 million when he is extradited from New York, where he was arrested.

If convicted, he faces up to life in state prison.

The Los Angeles Police Department is investigating the case.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.