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## Man Pleads to Threatening Hollywood Pedestrians with Pellet Rifle

A 56-year-old former attorney has admitted to threatening a neighbor and passersby with a pellet rifle from his Hollywood apartment last year, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Steven Gregory Kaplan, aka Sebastian Kane, pleaded no contest yesterday to two felony counts of criminal threats, according to Deputy District Attorney Craig Kleffman.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Mark S. Arnold immediately sentenced Kaplan to a suspended prison sentence of three years and four years of probation. Kaplan also is required to undergo regular drug testing and attend anger management classes as part of the negotiated plea agreement.

He attended a live-in drug and alcohol treatment program prior to the plea.

On March 31, 2017, Kaplan threatened to kill another tenant while she was in the pool area of the apartment building in the 1500 block of North Vine Street. Later in the day, the defendant pointed the gun at pedestrians walking on the sidewalk below his apartment.

Kaplan was arrested following a six-hour standoff with police.

Case BA456051 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Hollywood Station.

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