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Charges Filed Against Man who Allegedly Eavesdropped on Athletic Coaches

Prosecutors today filed a criminal case against a 32-year-old Los Angeles man accused of illegally recording more than half a dozen phone calls to professional and college athletic coaches, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Ethan Milius of the High Technology Crime Division said Kenneth Edward Tarr (dob 02-04-81) is expected to be arraigned on Dec. 30 in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Tarr is charged with one felony count of eavesdropping in case BA419375.

The defendant allegedly called a number of sports coaches while assuming the identity of representatives from other teams and gauged their interest in managing other sports teams and, in at least one instance, offered the victim a coaching position.

The victims were from such organizations as the National Basketball Association, the National Football League, Major League Baseball and university football programs.

Prosecutors allege that Tarr captured on video several phone conversations – during which he speaks to the victims on speakerphone – that he later posted on social media sites.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

If convicted as charged, Tarr faces a maximum state prison sentence of three years to be served in local custody.

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