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Man Charged With Running Drug Den in West Hollywood Apartment

A West Hollywood man was charged today with operating a drug house and providing methamphetamine to a 37-year-old man who suffered an overdose last week, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Edward Buck (dob 8/24/54) was charged in case BA481154 with one felony count each of battery causing serious injury, administering methamphetamine and maintaining a drug house. He is scheduled to be arraigned tomorrow in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

On Sept. 11, Buck is accused of injecting the victim with methamphetamine at the defendant's apartment in the 1200 block of Laurel Avenue in West Hollywood. The man suffered an overdose but survived.

"I remain deeply concerned for the safety of people whose life circumstances may make them more vulnerable to criminal predators," Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey said. "With this new evidence, I authorized the filing of criminal charges against Ed Buck."

Prosecutors are recommending bail be set at \$4 million. If convicted as charged, Buck faces a possible maximum sentence of five years and eight months in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Cynthia Barnes of the Major Crimes Division is prosecuting the case.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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