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Rap Artist Charged With Assault of Woman in Hollywood Hills

The rap artist known as Tory Lanez has been charged with assaulting a female friend in the Hollywood Hills earlier this year, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Daystar Peterson aka Tory Lanez (dob 7/27/92) was charged today in case BA490599 with one felony count each of assault with semiautomatic firearm – personal use of a firearm – and carrying a loaded, unregistered firearm in a vehicle. The defendant also faces a gun allegation and that he personally inflicted great bodily injury.

His arraignment is scheduled for October 13 in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Deputy District Attorney Kathy Ta of the Family Violence Division is prosecuting the case.

On July 12, the defendant and the 24-year-old victim got into an argument while riding in an SUV in the Hollywood Hills. The victim exited the vehicle and Peterson is accused of shooting several times at her feet and wounding her.

If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a possible maximum sentence of 22 years and eight months in state prison.

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

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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 protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.