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**Probation Officer Charged With  
On-Duty Assault of Teens**

A deputy probation officer has been charged in connection with two separate assaults on teen inmates at Sylmar Juvenile Hall, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Deputy Probation Officer Carlos Portillo (dob 6/13/78) was charged in case BA454703 with two counts of assault under color of authority. Also charged in the same case are Supervising Deputy Probation Officer Sergio Cano, 45, and Deputy Probation Officer Timothy Boundy, 42.

Boundy has pleaded not guilty to three counts of assault under color of authority, while Cano has pleaded not guilty to one count of assault under color of authority. Portillo pleaded not guilty today to two counts of assault under color of authority.

"The probation officers charged in this case were entrusted with the safekeeping and well-being of youths while in their custody," District Attorney Jackie Lacey said. "Sadly, in this instance, we believe the defendants abused their authority and broke the law."

Deputy District Attorney Ann Marie Wise of the Justice System Integrity Division is prosecuting the case.

On April 25, 2016, Portillo is accused of hitting a teen repeatedly while Boundy allegedly held the youth on the ground as Cano watched. The boy suffered moderate injuries.

The incident was videotaped. Further investigation by the Probation Department led to additional allegations.

On Feb. 8, 2016, Portillo and Boundy allegedly assaulted another teen after he tried to leave his room. On Oct. 8, 2015, Boundy is accused of grabbing a teen, throwing him to the ground and hitting him.

If convicted as charged, Boundy faces a possible maximum sentence of four years and four months in state prison, while Portillo faces three years and eight months in prison and Cano could receive a three-year prison term.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Probation Department.

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