



Riverside County District Attorney

# CRIMINAL CASE UPDATE

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## **FORMER TEACHER AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR CHARGED WITH SEX CRIMES INVOLVING TWO UNDERAGE STUDENTS HAS BEEN ARRESTED**

RIVERSIDE – A former teacher and school administrator charged today, Feb. 3, 2014, with 16 felony counts has been arrested.

Andrea Michelle Cardosa, DOB: 7-30-73, was arrested on a \$5 million arrest warrant at about 5:45 p.m. in the city of Perris by a Riverside County sheriff's warrant team.

Based on the date and time of her arrest, Cardosa is expected to be arraigned in case RIF1400310 on Thursday, Feb. 6, 2014, at the Hall of Justice in Riverside.

Cardosa has been charged with five counts of Penal Code section 269 (a) (5), aggravated sexual assault on a child under the age of 14; five counts of Penal Code section 288 (a), lewd acts on a child under the age of 14; and six counts of Penal Code section 288 (c) (1), lewd acts on a child 14 or 15 years of age while the defendant is at least 10 years older than the victim. All the counts pertain to Jane Doe 1 except for one of the PC 288 (c) (1) counts which involves Jane Doe 2 in this case.

The five aggravated sexual assault on a child counts carry potential life sentences should Cardosa be convicted.

The case involving Cardosa came to light in January after Jane Doe 1, who is now an adult, found out that Cardosa was a school administrator at Alhambra High School in Los Angeles County and called Cardosa. That call was both video and audio taped and the victim posted the taped conversation on YouTube.

Riverside police detectives then began an investigation into the allegations that Cardosa had illegal sexual contact with Jane Doe 1 while the victim was a student at a middle school in the city of Riverside and continued while she was in high school. The charged crimes involving Jane Doe 1 are alleged to have happened from 1997 to 2001.

Within days of the posting of the video on YouTube, Jane Doe 2 – who also now is an adult -- came forward to report that she also had been victimized by Cardosa when she was a student at a high school in Perris in 2009 or 2010.