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Soccer Coach Arrested for Lewd Acts with a Minor

LAGUNA NIGUEL, California – (Thursday, March 27, 2014) – On Wednesday, March 26, investigators from the Orange County Sheriff's Department's Special Victims Detail arrested Ronnie Gamez, 27, Laguna Niguel, in the city of Laguna Niguel. Gamez, a soccer coach associated with several south Orange County club organizations, was arrested for lewd acts on a minor stemming from an incident in early March 2014. Parents of the victim found inappropriate communications between their child and Gamez, and reported the incident to law enforcement. The inappropriate sexual relationship allegedly began in February 2014 through March 2014.

The Orange County Sheriff's Department is asking for the public's help in identifying any additional victims. Gamez's position as a soccer coach for U11, U13, and U17 girls' soccer may have provided him access to additional minors who may have been victimized.

Anyone with information regarding possible additional victims or any information they believe may assist in this investigation is asked to contact the Orange County Sheriff's Department Special Victims Detail at (714) 647-7419, or submit an anonymous tip to OC Crime Stoppers at 855-TIP-OCCS (855-847-6227) or at occrimestoppers.org.



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