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Orange County Sheriff's Investigators Seek Additional Victims After Arrest

Dana Point, Calif. (Aug. 13, 2025): On Wednesday, Aug. 13th, 2025, Orange County Sheriff's Department Special Victim's Detail (SVD) investigators arrested Michael Joseph Duran, 44, Aliso Viejo, following allegations he had a sexual relationship with a minor female between 2024-2025.

In Aug. 2025, SVD investigators were contacted by a mandated reporter who believed an inappropriate relationship was ongoing between Duran and a minor victim. The victim was subsequently contacted, and an investigation ensued. The victim alleged that Duran, while working as a high school assistant basketball coach at Dana Hills High School, groomed and had a sexual relationship with her.

During the investigation, SVD investigators learned that Duran is involved as a coach with a basketball club in San Juan Capistrano known as SOCAL FINS.

Duran was booked into Orange County Jail for Oral Copulation with a minor under the age of 18.

Due to Duran's position as a basketball coach of minor females, SVD investigators believe there may be additional victims. Anyone with additional information or who believes they were a victim is asked to call the Orange County Sheriff's Department's Special Victims Detail at (714) 647-7419 or (714) 647-7000. Anonymous tips may also be submitted to Orange County Crime Stoppers at 855-TIP-OCCS or at ocsheriff.gov/occrimestoppers.



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