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**School Teacher Arraigned on Charges of Sexual Abuse Of Five Students**  
*Defendant Accused of Groping and Fondling Children Between Ages 9 and 11*

Kings County District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson today announced that a 36-year-old Brooklyn elementary school science teacher has been arraigned on charges relating to the sexual abuse of five of his young female students on school property.

District Attorney Thompson said, “This is a tremendous breach of public trust. Schools should be safe havens for young children such as these school girls who were allegedly abused. Parents count on teachers to act as role models – and not to abuse their positions to sexually exploit children.”

The District Attorney said that the defendant, Omil Carrasquillo, 36, of Selden, New York, was arraigned this afternoon before Brooklyn Criminal Court Judge Jane Tully on a criminal complaint in which he is charged with five counts of first-degree sexual abuse, five counts of second-degree sexual abuse and seven counts of endangering the welfare of a child. The top count of first-degree sexual abuse is a ‘D’ felony which carries up to seven years in prison. The defendant was ordered held on bail of \$50,000 bond or \$25,000 cash and to return to court on September 30, 2014.

The District Attorney said that, according to the complaint, on seven occasions between October 31, 2013, and September 18, 2014, the defendant, who worked as a science teacher at Public School 249, located on Marlborough Road in the Kensington section of Brooklyn, allegedly groped or fondled five female students who were between ages 9 and 11 years old at the time of the alleged incidents. The defendant was arrested yesterday following the disclosure of one student recently and an ensuing investigation.

The investigation was conducted by New York City Police Detectives assigned to the Brooklyn Child Abuse Squad.

The case is being prosecuted by the District Attorney’s Crimes Against Children Bureau, under the supervision of Miss Gregory, Bureau Chief.

A criminal complaint is an accusation and not proof of a defendant’s guilt.