

# Olympic track star arraigned in Berkshire County on charges of sexually assaulting minors as a counselor in Becket

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PITTSFIELD – A former Olympic track star accused of molesting multiple youths while working as a counselor and coach in the 1970s in the Berkshires was arraigned in 12 counts of indecent assault and battery on Tuesday.

Conrad Mainwaring, 69, [was indicted](#) on nine counts of indecent assault and battery on a child over 14 and three counts of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14 in February in Berkshire County. He was arrested in Los Angeles on Feb. 17 on a fugitive from justice warrant, Berkshire District Attorney Andrea Harrington said in writing.

He was returned to Massachusetts this week after Massachusetts State Police troopers assigned to Harrington's office completed the rendition of Mainwaring, she said.

During his arraignment in Berkshire Superior Court, Mainwaring's bail was set at \$200,000, he was ordered to surrender his passport and banned from having any contact with children under 16. Not guilty pleas were entered on his behalf, Harrington said.

The Berkshire State Police Detective unit launched an investigation into Mainwaring's work at Camp Greylock, in Becket, after a [2019 investigation by ESPN's Outside the Lines](#) alleged that Mainwaring, over his lengthy career as a track and field athlete and coach, had **molested several dozen young boys.**

Since then more people have come forward, with 52 accusing Mainwaring of abusing them over a 44-year span that stretched across four states and two continents. He also faces at least one felony count of sexual battery by fraud in California and At least one civil suit has been filed against him there.

"I thank the State Police investigators who continue to work tirelessly on this case. We

believe that there are many other victims and we ask them to contact local law enforcement or the Berkshire State Police Detective Unit as we continue to seek justice," Harrington said.

"We take allegations of adults who abuse their position of trust by preying on youth very seriously and will continue to focus our prosecutorial resources on holding perpetrators of these crimes accountable," she said.

Detectives extensively followed up on various leads and interviews across numerous states and college campuses across the country before filing the charges.

Harrington said she and investigators believe there are other victims and witnesses across the country who have not come forward.

Investigators have established a dedicated phone line at 413-449-5863 for anyone to contact the State Police Berkshire Detective Unit to report any information about the case.

Although the allegations against Mainwaring at Camp Greylock are nearly 50 years old and well beyond the state's statute of limitations, Harrington's position is that the statute froze when he moved out of the state in the late 1970s.

Mainwaring competed for Antigua and Barbuda in the men's 110 meter hurdles at the 1976 Summer Olympics in Montreal.

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