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### **News Advisory**

NYPD Police Officer Henry Tavarez, 27, of New York City, and former NYPD Detective Stephen Anderson, 33, of Long Island, were arraigned this afternoon before Queens Supreme Court Justice James P. Griffin on a 42-count indictment. The charges stem from a joint investigation by the NYPD's Internal Affairs Bureau and the Queens County District Attorney's Integrity Bureau into an undercover buy and bust operation conducted at an Elmhurst bar last year in which four men are alleged to have been falsely accused of selling cocaine to the police officers.

Bail was set at \$25,000 for Anderson and \$15,000 for Tavarez. Both defendants were ordered to return to court on March 20, 2009.

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Anderson is represented by John Arlia (212-566-6262)  
Tavarez is represented by Lawrence Fredella (866-690-9316)