

Mom pleads not guilty in car chase

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VISTA -- A patent attorney from Poway, accused of leading a CHP officer on a brief chase because she wanted to get her child to school on time, pleaded not guilty last week to misdemeanor counts of evading an officer and child endangerment.

Stacy Lee Taylor, 44, was arrested Jan. 16 by the California Highway Patrol officer after a 10-minute pursuit that ended outside the Del Mar Pines School in Carmel Valley. She was released from custody after posting \$60,000 bail.

She faces additional charges of resisting an officer -- a misdemeanor -- and failure to provide proof of insurance. If convicted, Taylor could spend up to two years and six months in jail, and pay a number of fines, said Deputy District Attorney Douglas Gregg.

Because the charges involve misdemeanor offenses, Taylor was not required to appear in Superior Court for her Friday arraignment. Her lawyer, Michael Crowley, sent the not-guilty pleas to the Vista courthouse by fax.

Her next court appearance is scheduled for March 3.

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Abstract (Document Summary)

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