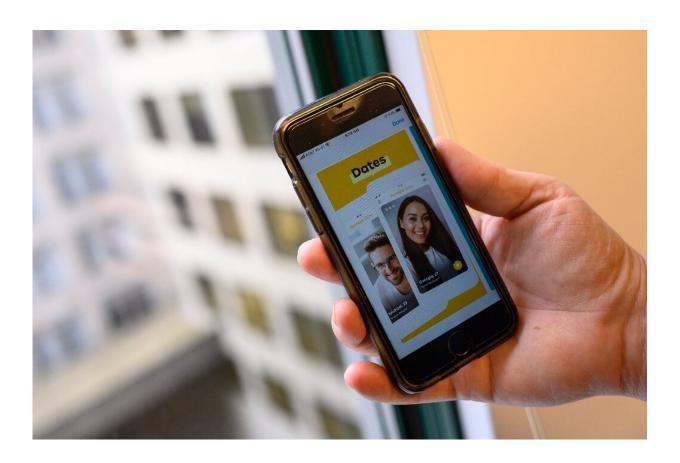


Dating app boast nets US Capitol riot charges

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US authorities said evidence from the Bumble dating app was used to track a suspect in the January 6 Capitol uprising

A Bumble dating app boast about invading the US Capitol left a man facing criminal charges on Friday after his prospective match turned him in to police.



The case against Robert Chapman, who lives in the city of Yonkers in New York State, came together with the help of Bumble text messages, Facebook posts, and video captured by police body cameras, according to an FBI <u>criminal complaint</u>.

Chapman, who also uses the last name Erick, is charged with violent entry and disorderly conduct at the Capitol, FBI agent Kenneth Kroll said in the complaint.

The prospective date alerted the police after receiving a <u>text message</u> on Bumble from a prospective match who said "I did storm the Capitol and made it all the way to Statuary Hall."

Kroll identified Chapman as being among those shown in video taken by Capitol police body cameras when rioters stormed the building in a <u>deadly attack</u> on January 6.

Evidence in the case included Facebook photos of the accused man in Statuary Hall, in keeping with the Bumble boast.

Former US president Donald Trump has been accused of inciting the deadly January 6 insurrection.

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