

## One Life to Live's Nathaniel Marston Fired

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Seems pending assault charges don't sit well with ABC Daytime brass

{mosimage}Well, Soapdom is chagrined to report, it is official: Nathaniel Marston was forced to say goodbye to his role as Michael McBain following a brush with the law earlier this month in New York City.

“He leaves the show with our sincere appreciation for his many contributions and our support as he addresses personal challenges,” a spokesperson for One Life to Live was quoted in this week’s Soap Opera Digest. Marston, who also portrayed Eddie Silva on As The World Turns from 1998 to 2000, faces assault charges. There was no word on a recast at press time, but sources confirm that the character will indeed return to the canvas. Marston wrote his own personal goodbye to fans on his official website ( [nathanielmarston.net](http://nathanielmarston.net) ):

“Now that ABC has officially commented, I can confirm that I have been let go from One Life to Live. I don’t think of this as an ending, but rather the beginning of a new chapter in my life. Your support and encouragement have meant the world to me and have buoyed my spirits in a trying time. I know that my absence from the show will be a disappointment to many of you. All I can say is let the decision-makers at ABC know how you feel...”

“As you know, I did not start my career in soap operas, but in commercials, film and primetime television. I will continue to pursue these avenues, as well as any other opportunities that come my way... and I hope you’ll come along for the ride as I embark on the next phase of my career.”

Soapdom wishes Marsten well as he faces his legal battles and personal struggles. We hope to see him appear in something new real soon.