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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **For Immediate Release**

Date: December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Re: Delbert Dwayne Tinsley

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**Modesto, California** - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Delbert Dwayne Tinsley, age 44, of Modesto was found unsuitable for parole during a November 29, 2016 hearing of the State Board of Parole Hearings held at the state prison in Tehachapi. Deputy District Attorney Jeff Laugero appeared on behalf the People to argue against Tinsley's release.

In 1998, Tinsley and a friend were drinking in the garage of a home in Modesto when victim Cindy Hubbard walked by. Tinsley invited Hubbard into the garage for a drink, then closed the garage door after she entered. Once she was inside, he beat her unconscious using a fireplace poker. Tinsley and his friend then dumped the victim, still alive, into an irrigation canal in Escalon. A passerby saw her struggling in the water and went to call police. By the time help arrived, she had died. Police found the crime scene in Modesto after a student saw blood in the driveway while walking to school and notified school employees.

In 2000, Tinsley was convicted by a Stanislaus County jury of second degree murder with use of a deadly weapon. He was sentenced to 17 years to life in state prison.

At the parole hearing in Tehachapi, Deputy District Attorney Jeff Laugero argued for Tinsley's continued confinement based on his lack of remorse and lack of insight into the crime. The Board of Parole Hearings agreed and denied parole for another 3 years. Tinsley was previously denied parole in 2012.

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