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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Ronald Bartell
Parole Denied

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Ronald Bartell, age 51, of Turlock, was found unsuitable for parole during a March 30, 2017 hearing of the State Board of Parole Hearings held at the state prison in Corcoran, California. Deputy District Attorney Dina Petrushenko appeared at the hearing on behalf of the People.

In 1989, Bartell got angry with his friend, Troy Meadows. Bartell lured Meadows out to a vacant pump house in an orchard in Turlock in order to shoot Meadows in the head.

Bartell pled guilty to murder and was sentenced to 27 years to life in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Petrushenko appeared before the board and argued for Bartell's continued confinement based on his failure to complete any substance abuse treatment programs during the time he has been in prison and his failure to put together a comprehensive and detailed plan for his release. The Board of Parole Hearings agreed and denied parole for 3 years.

This was Bartell's first parole hearing.

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