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NEWS RELEASE

<u>For Immediate Release</u> Date: December 4, 2001 Re: Steven Bryce Newton Parole Hearing For more information contact: John J. Goold, Chief Deputy District Attorney (209) 525-5550

MODESTO, CALIFORNIA – Stanislaus County District Attorney James Brazelton announced today that Steven Bryce Newton, 53, was found unsuitable for parole after a December 4, 2001 hearing of the State Board of Prison Terms at the California Medical Facility in Vacaville. Deputy District Attorney K. J. Hara appeared at the hearing.

Newton had been convicted of Second Degree Murder for the June 15th, 1979 killing of 55 year-old Floyd Stanfill. Stanfill's body was found left in a walnut orchard. He had been stabbed multiple times. Both Newton and Stanfill were residents of a local Board and Care home at the time of the killing.

Newton is serving a life term in prison and has previously been denied parole. He will be scheduled for another Parole Consideration Hearing in two years.

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