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## PRESS RELEASE

<u>For immediate release</u> Date: June 19, 2007

Re: George Salter

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**Modesto, California** – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that George Salter of Modesto was found unsuitable for parole after a hearing before the State Board of Prison Terms held on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at Deuel Vocational Institute in Tracy.

On November 8, 1988, Salter and co-defendant Robert Brown set out to rob Thomas Owen, age seventy. During the course of the robbery, Salter struck Owen in the head with a baseball bat while Brown stabbed Owen multiple times. Salter was convicted of murder in 1989 and is serving a 15 years to life prison sentence.

Deputy District Attorney Richard Gore appeared at the parole hearing and argued for continued confinement based on the danger Salter would pose to the community should he be released. The Board of Prison Terms agreed and denied parole for one year.

Salter had previously been denied parole in 2006, and will be scheduled for another hearing in 2008. Co-defendant Robert Brown was also convicted of murder and is serving a life term in prison.

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