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Re: Andrew Ring SVP recommitment Phone: (209) 525-5550

Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Andrew Arlington Ring was remanded for further treatment under Welfare and Institutions Code §6600, after a hearing held this week before Judge John Whiteside in Department 3 of the Stanislaus County Superior Court. Deputy District Attorney Arral Phipps prosecuted the case for the People.

Ring, now 67, was convicted of felony child molest in 1991 and then again in 2001. He was sentenced to state prison but later released on parole in 2004. While on parole, in 2005 Ring was arrested by Modesto Police after he was caught being intoxicated and following a woman with her three young children. For that offense, he was returned to prison custody. While back in prison, Ring was evaluated to determine if he qualified for treatment under Welfare and Institutions Code §6600, also known as the Sexually Violent Predator Act. Inmates convicted of sexual offenses who are evaluated under this statute are given the right to a jury trial to determine whether they shall be set free or returned to custody for further treatment.

This last week, Ring waived his right to a jury trial and Judge John Whiteside found him to be a fit subject for further treatment under the provisions of the SVP Act. Ring was returned to the State Hospital in Coalinga. He will be re-evaluated on a yearly basis to determine whether he continues to present a significant risk to re-offend.