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Re: Marlette Barksdale Phone: (209) 525-5550

Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Marlette Barksdale, age 49, of Modesto, was sentenced to 16 months in state prison on September 26, 2008 after a plea to one count of possession of heroin. At the time she committed this offense, Barksdale had previously been ordered into substance abuse treatment pursuant to Proposition 36 for possessing controlled substances in two other cases. Deputy District Attorney Carolyn Matzger prosecuted the case for the People.