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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Stefano Donnell Evans, age 38, of Merced, California, entered a plea of guilty to felony domestic violence before the Honorable Charles V. Stone. Deputy District Attorney Elizabeth Owen prosecuted the case on behalf of the People.

The charges arose when the defendant visited the mother of his newborn infant at the hospital just hours after the baby was born. While the hours-old infant was on the mother's chest, the defendant punched the victim in the leg, leaving a bruise. The mother of the child had to engage the panic button to get assistance from security and the nurses to escort the defendant out of the hospital.

Upon entry of his plea, Evans was sentenced to three years in state prison.