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Modesto, California – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Stella Martinez, age 40 of Ceres, was convicted of two misdemeanor charges of disobeying a court order and making annoying phone calls following a jury trial on September 10, 2008. Deputy District Attorney Merrill Hoult prosecuted the case.

The case arose out of events which occurred on March 16, 2007. Martinez telephoned the two victims and left an offensive and annoying voice message. One of the victims had a restraining order against Martinez. The provisions of the restraining order barred Martinez from contacting, telephoning, harassing, or disturbing the peace of the victim.

Honorable Donald Shaver of Department Seven sentenced Martinez to ten days in the county jail, three years informal probation, anger management classes, and 40 hours community service.