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**PRESS RELEASE**

**For Immediate Release**

Date: November 5, 2008  
Re: Solomon E. Sena  
Robbery Conviction

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**Modesto, California** - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that on November 5, 2008, Solomon E. Sena, age 38, of Modesto, was convicted after a two-day jury trial of robbery. The defendant also pled guilty to Resisting Arrest.

The case arose out of events that occurred on June 3, 2008. Sena approached the victim, an installer for "Direct TV," as the installer was waiting for a customer to arrive for an appointment. Sena ordered the victim to get out of his truck and threatened to shoot him. The defendant held his hand at his waist as if he had a gun. The victim was able to speed away from the scene, but as he was pulling away Sena reached inside the open window and tore the Oakley sunglasses off of the victim's face.

Within twenty minutes, Officer Kalani Souza was attempting to take Sena into custody. Sena refused to comply with the lawful orders of the officer and Officer Souza utilized a taser on Sena for resisting arrest. Sena then complied with the lawful orders of the officer.

Deputy District Attorney Robert J. Taro, who prosecuted the case on behalf of the People stated, "We appreciate the time and attention the jury gave to this matter. Justice was served."

The Honorable Timothy Salter who presided over the trial set a sentencing hearing for December 5, 2008. Sena faces a maximum of five years in state prison.

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