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## For Immediate Release

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Date: October 7, 2009

Re: Dennis Fabela - Prison sentence

For Possession of Methamphetamine and

Possession of Marijuana for Sale

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Dennis Fabela, age 35, of Modesto, was convicted on October 7, 2009 of Possession of Methamphetamine and Marijuana for Sale and admitted having a felony conviction that falls under California's "Three Strikes" law. Deputy District Attorney Shawn D. Bessey prosecuted the case for the People.

On November 29, 2005 in the city of Modesto, at approximately 10:00 a.m., officers of the Modesto Police Department's Street Crimes Unit conducted a search of Fabela's residence and located over an ounce of methamphetamine, an ounce of marijuana, a digital scale, small plastic baggies and \$1700.00 in cash. Fabela also admitted to being in violation of his probation from domestic violence conviction in August 2003. Fabela absconded in 2006 and was only recently arrested.

Upon entry of the pleas and the violation of his probation, the Honorable John Freeland sentenced Fabela to 5 years and 4 months in state prison.