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Re: Jessica Thompson - Conviction on Embezzlement from Gymnastics Club

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jessica Thompson, age 31, of Waterford, was convicted of two counts of embezzlement. Deputy District Attorney Nate Baker prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events which occurred between December 2004 and January 2007. Thompson was the treasurer of the booster club at USA Elite Gymnastics, a training facility for young gymnasts, located in Modesto. Thompson embezzled several thousand dollars from the booster club and from the owner of the gymnasium.

Sentencing is scheduled for March 6, 2009 before the Honorable Donald E. Shaver. Thompson faces a maximum of three years in state prison.