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Re: Brandon Scott Thornsberry Phone: (209) 525-5550

Burglar Sentenced to 6 years prison

Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Brandon Scott Thornsberry was sentenced to six years in state prison on July 29, 2009 following his plea of guilty on April 27, 2009 to four counts of commercial burglary and his admission of having three prior felony convictions for which he served commitments to state prison. Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey M. Laugero prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events that occurred between March 14, 2008 and March 16, 2008 when several businesses were burglarized at the City Mall office building in Modesto. On March 16, 2008, Deputy Pinheiro of the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office conducted a traffic stop of a vehicle driven by Charles Inman. Thornsberry was a passenger in the vehicle. A search of the car revealed property stolen from the businesses. Inman and Thornsberry were arrested. A review of the surveillance video from the City Mall office building showed Inman and Thornsberry involved in the break in. Inman had previously pled guilty and was sentenced to two years in state prison.