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Re: David Tamez Leza Phone: (209) 525-5550

Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced that on October 29, 2013, David Tamez Leza, age 43, was sentenced to three years in state prison for a felony conviction of driving under the influence of alcohol. The case was prosecuted on behalf of the District Attorney's Office by Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey Darnell.

On January 14, 2013, at approximately 2:17 a.m., a deputy of the Stanislaus County Sherriff's Department witnessed Leza run stop signs at the intersection of 7th Street and Pecos Avenue and also at Boulder Avenue and Main Street near the City of Modesto. The deputy made an enforcement stop for the observed traffic violations and noticed that Leza appeared to be under the influence of alcohol. After a DUI investigation, Leza was placed under arrest and submitted to a breath test. The breath test revealed a blood alcohol content of .21% and .21%.

In addition, the defendant has suffered prior felony convictions for driving under the influence in 2003 and 2006.

Mr. Darnell's position is funded through a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.