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Date: May 30, 2014 Re: Parole denied Carol Shipley, Assistant District Attorney Phone: (209) 525-5550

Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Darrell Lynn Adams, 56, formerly of Modesto was found unsuitable for parole at an April 22 hearing of the State Board of Parole Hearings in Vacaville. Deputy District Attorney Jared T. Carrillo appeared at the hearing and argued for continued confinement based on Adams' lack of remorse and that Adams still poses a risk to public safety if released. The Board agreed and denied parole for 5 years.

Darrell Lynn Adams, then 35, was convicted of attempted murder with use of a firearm, and is serving a life plus 9-year prison sentence. In December 1993, Adams was making a living as a pimp and a cocaine dealer when he shot an unarmed male following a botched drug deal on the 400 block of Oak Street in Modesto. Later, Adams told a police detective that he would kill any witness who testified against him. While denying Adams's parole, the parole commissioners found that he still "poses an unreasonable risk to public safety" if released. Additionally, the commissioners also stated they "found his excuses for not completing self-help classes (while in prison) dishonest and offensive." Adams had previously been denied parole in 2009. He will be scheduled for another hearing in 2019.

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