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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Joseph Caloca, age 30, of Patterson, was sentenced to two years and four months in state prison for felony driving under the influence.

On February 24, 2016, a Stanislaus County Sheriff's deputy stopped Caloca for running a stop sign. Caloca smelled of alcohol but denied drinking. After failing several field sobriety tests he was arrested and given a chemical test that showed a level of 0.19% alcohol in his blood, over twice the legal limit of .08%.

On March 17, 2016, Caloca pled no contest to driving with a blood alcohol level over 0.08%, a felony due to his having prior felony drunk driving convictions in 2011 and 2012. Caloca also admitted that he previously served a state prison term for the 2012 felony DUI conviction.

Based upon the facts of the offense, his prior record, having served a prior prison term, and the agreement of the parties, Judge Ricardo Cordova sentenced Caloca to two years and four months in state prison.

Deputy District Attorney Bianca Yip prosecuted the case for the People. Her position is funded by a grant provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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