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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **For Immediate Release**

Date: June 17, 2016  
Re: Prison Sentence – Marquette Hudson

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**Modesto, California** - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Marquette Lashon Hudson, age 44, of Patterson, was found guilty of mayhem on April 14, 2016 by a Stanislaus County Superior Court jury. Deputy District Attorney Michael Karimi prosecuted the case for the People.

On February 19, 2015, Hudson was living with his mother and step-father. As his mother walked in the direction of her bedroom to avoid an argument with Hudson, he attacked her from behind. Hudson began striking and biting the victim until his step-father intervened by waving a kitchen knife at him. Hudson bit off a substantial part of the victim's left ear in the attack. The severed portion of the victim's ear could not be fully reattached surgically.

On June 15, 2016, Judge Ricardo Cordova sentenced Hudson to 21 years in state prison. The commitment was based on the facts of the case, the nature of the charge, and Hudson's prior criminal history. Hudson's criminal history included a conviction for assault with a deadly weapon, classified as a "strike" under California's "Three Strikes" Law. Hudson's 21 year total sentence was calculated through the imposition of the maximum term of 8 years for the crime, doubled for the prior "strike," plus an additional 5 years imposed under the "Three Strikes" Law for committing a new "strike."

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