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Felony DUI conviction & prison sentence

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that David Tamez Leza, 46, of Modesto, California, was sentenced to five years in state prison for driving under the influence with a prior felony conviction for driving under the influence.

On December 9, 2016, Modesto Police stopped Leza for making an illegal u-turn on a freeway onramp. Leza smelled of alcohol and admitted he had been drinking. A chemical test showed his blood alcohol level to be 0.13%, above the legal limit of 0.08%.

On May 15, 2017, Leza pled no contest to felony driving with a blood alcohol level above 0.08%. He also admitted having been previously convicted in January, 2013 of felony driving under the influence and that he had previously served two separate terms in state prison stemming from his 2013 and 2007 driving under the influence convictions.

Upon entry of his plea, Judge Shawn Bessey sentenced Leza to five years 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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