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PRESS RELEASE

**For immediate release**

Date: July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
Re: Parole Hearing Catarino  
Martinez

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**Modesto, California** – Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Catarino Martinez, age 39, of Modesto was found unsuitable for parole after a hearing of the State Board of Prison Terms on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007 held at the Solano State Prison in Vacaville. Deputy District Attorney Michael D. Houston appeared at the hearing and argued for continued confinement based on the facts of the original commitment offense and that Martinez still poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the people of Stanislaus County. The Board of Prison Terms agreed and denied Martinez's parole for 2 years.

In 1998, a Stanislaus County Superior Court jury convicted Martinez of attempted premeditated murder with the use of a knife, inflicting great bodily injury and domestic violence for assaulting his wife, Janet. He is currently serving a life sentence. This was Martinez's first parole hearing. He will be scheduled for another hearing in 2009.

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