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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Edward Lee Sillemmon
Drug Conviction Results in
Prison Sentence

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today Edward Lee Sillemmon, age 37, of Modesto, entered a plea of guilty to Possession of Crack Cocaine and admitted a prior felony conviction that falls under California's "Three Strikes Law". Deputy District Attorney Wendell Emerson prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events which occurred on December 20, 2007 in Modesto, when the defendant was a passenger in a stolen vehicle. When the police made contact with the defendant he was found to be in possession of the crack cocaine.

Upon acceptance of the plea, the Honorable Hurl Johnson sentenced the defendant to 6 years in state prison.

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