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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Kalen Devone Bradford

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Domestic Violence Ends with
Three Years in State Prison

Modesto, California Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Kalen Devone Bradford, age 23, of Merced, was convicted on June 25, 2009 of battery of a cohabitor. Bradford is currently on probation for possession of cocaine base for sale stemming from a February 2007 conviction out of Merced County. Deputy District Attorney Jeff Mangar prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events that occurred on May 11, 2009 at approximately 7 a.m. when a Turlock Police Office was dispatched to Doctor's Medical Center(DMC) in Modesto regarding a domestic abuse incident that took place in Turlock. Bradford and the victim had been dating and living together for the past year and the victim is currently pregnant with Bradford's child. The victim had walked to DMC from the Vagabond Motel on McHenry Avenue to get treatment for injuries to her face. The victim received her injuries when Bradford struck her in the face during an argument while at a gas station in Turlock. Bradford punched the victim in the face resulting in a broken nose, ruptured left earlobe, contusions to her forehead and eyes, and scratch marks on her neck. When the victim refused to get back into the car, Bradford forced her by hitting the victim more. After Bradford checked into the motel, the victim had to walk herself to DMC. Bradford claimed he hit the victim during an argument because the victim was unfaithful to him.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable Donald Shaver sentenced Bradford to three years in state prison. This is Bradford's first commitment to state prison.