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**PRESS RELEASE**

**For Immediate Release**

Date: January 23, 2009  
Re: David Benjamin Hill  
Petty Theft With Priors and  
Possession of Methamphetamine  
Result in Total of 4 Years in State  
Prison

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that David Benjamin Hill, age 35, of Modesto, was convicted of Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of a Hypodermic Syringe, Petty Theft With Prior Theft Convictions and admitted having a prior felony conviction that falls under California's "Three Strikes Law." Deputy District Attorney Tracy M. Roland prosecuted the case on behalf of the People.

On August 10, 2007, Modesto Police officers stopped defendant for a traffic violation. A search of the car and the defendant revealed a syringe and baggies containing 0.28 grams and 0.22 grams of methamphetamine.

On December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007, in an unincorporated area near Turlock, the defendant and another person took gas from the gas tank of a parked truck. Defendant fled from officers and gave a false name. Officers located 0.71grams of methamphetamine in the area next to where they apprehended the defendant.

Upon entry of the guilty pleas, the Honorable Thomas Zeff sentenced the defendant to 4 years in state prison.

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