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PRESS RELEASE

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Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Donald William Murray
Receiving Stolen Property and
Unlawful Use of Personal Identification
Nets 2 years, 8 months in prison

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced that Donald William Murray, age 27, of Modesto, was convicted on August 21, 2009 of receiving stolen property and unlawful use of personal identification, felonies.

The case arose out of events that occurred on August 13, 2009 when Murray was parked on the side of the road near the intersection of Litt and Plainview talking with a woman who was standing outside his driver's door at approximately 11:00 pm. A deputy sheriff made contact with Murray and learned that Murray was on parole from state prison following a conviction for unlawful use of personal identification in San Joaquin County in 2007. A search conducted pursuant to parole terms revealed that Murray had a wallet in his pocket that contained the checkbook and credit cards of two victims and photo identification of yet a third individual. The photos were used to construct false drivers' licenses that Murray had in his wallet.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable Judge Donald Shaver sentenced Murray to 2 years and 8 months in state prison.

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