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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Neao Solorio Medina
Parole Denied

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Neao Solorio Medina, age 50, of Modesto, was found unsuitable for parole during a July 5, 2017 hearing of the State Board of Parole Hearings held at the Deuel Vocational Institute in Tracy, California. Deputy District Attorney Jeff Laugero appeared at the hearing on behalf of the People.

Medina was convicted in 1996 for the attempted first degree murder of his ex-girlfriend and attempted voluntary manslaughter of another person. Shortly after the attack, Medina was arrested and told detectives he was in his "right mind, angry and thinking straight" when he attempted to kill both victims. Medina was sentenced to a life term in prison.

Deputy District Attorney Laugero appeared before the board and argued for Medina's continued confinement based on the inmate's lack of insight into the crime and various lies he told to the parole panel and examiners. Medina gave conflicting social history information during his psychological examination which made it difficult for the examiner to properly evaluate whether he posed a risk to public safety if released on parole. The Board of Parole Hearings found that Medina was being untruthful and manipulating his social history in order to justify his crime. They also found he was an unreasonable risk to the community and denied parole for five years.

This was Medina's second parole hearing. He received a five-year denial at his initial parole hearing in 2012.

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