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Thomas Christopher Galano-

Probation Violation Sentenced to 2 years, 4

months in state prison

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Thomas Christopher Galano admitted he violated the terms of his probation by failing to complete substance abuse treatment pursuant to Proposition 36.

Galano was originally convicted on July 10, 2007 of possession of methamphetamine and having served one prior prison commitment. He was placed on 3 years felony probation and ordered to complete a drug rehabilitation program. This is Galano's first violation of probation.

Upon the admission, the Honorable Sue Siefkin sentenced Galano to two years and four months in state prison.