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Re: People v. Misty Lynn Martin

Judge sentences probation violator to 32

months in state prison.

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MODESTO, CALIFORNIA - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced that on October 23, 2008, Misty Lynn Martin of Ceres pled no contest to a felony violation of falsely personating another, and admitted having violated the terms of her felony probation. Martin was on probation for a felony child endangerment conviction and failed to obey all laws, to report to the Probation Department as directed and failed to complete parenting counseling. This was Martin's fourth violation of probation. Deputy District Attorney Jeffrey M. Laugero prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events that occurred on August 14, 2008 in Ceres. During a theft investigation, a search was conducted at Martin's residence. Martin used the name of an acquaintance to falsely identify herself to one of the investigating officers. Another officer on scene recognized Martin and challenged her about her identity. Martin admitted her true name and was arrested.

The Honorable Timothy W. Salter sentenced Martin to state prison for 16 months for the new felony conviction, and imposed an additional 16 month consecutive term for the probation violation.