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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Vincente Zapien
Drunk Driver Sentenced to 30
Days in the County Jail

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Vincente Zapien, age 39, of San Lorenzo, was convicted after a two-day jury trial of Driving Under the Influence (DUI). Deputy District Anthony M. Colacito prosecuted the case on behalf of the People.

The case arose out of events which occurred on May 31, 2008 in Modesto, when the defendant ran a stop sign, broad-siding another vehicle at Kiernan and Tully Roads. Upon CHP arrival, the defendant showed objective signs of alcohol intoxication and performed field sobriety tests in a manner consistent with someone who was under the influence of alcohol. A breath test showed his blood-alcohol level to be .13/.14.

The Honorable Hurl Johnson, who presided over the trial, sentenced the defendant to 30 days in the county jail.

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