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Re: Steve Alvarado – Assault With

Deadly Weapon Results in 6 Years

Prison

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Steve Alvarado, age 56, of Patterson, was convicted of one felony count of Assault with a Deadly Weapon, a "strike" under California's "Three Strikes Law." Alvarado also admitted that he inflicted great bodily injury upon the victim. Deputy District Attorney Elaine G. Casillas prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events that occurred on February 25, 2008 in the city of Patterson. Alvarado struck his 87-year-old mother with a stick several times causing serious injuries to her head which required staples and other suturing.

Upon entry of a no contest plea, the Honorable Dawna Reeves sentenced defendant to 6 years in prison.