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PRESS RELEASE

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Re: Jason Vernon McCourt
State Prison for Stalker

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jason Vernon McCourt, age 35, of Modesto, was convicted of stalking. McCourt also admitted having a previous felony conviction which falls under California's "Three Strikes" law. Deputy District Attorney Nathan Baker prosecuted the case.

The case arose out of events which occurred between November 3, 2008 and January 27, 2009 in the city of Modesto. McCourt called the victim on numerous occasions leaving harassing/threatening messages. He was observed several times lingering around her house. On one occasion, he forced his way into her home and assaulted her boyfriend. McCourt attempted to contact the victim at home on another occasion and threatened to kill her.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable John G. Whiteside sentenced McCourt to 4 years in state prison.

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