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Kent Norman-Drunk Driver

Convicted by Jury

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Kent Norman, age 50, of Modesto, was convicted after a three-day jury trial of Driving Under the Influence. Deputy District Attorney Anthony Colacito prosecuted the case for the People.

The case arose out of events which occurred on December 30, 2007, in Modesto. Norman was stopped by a Modesto Police Department officer for suspicion of drunk driving. Norman 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 .08/.09.

After hearing the verdict, the Honorable Dawna Frenchie Reeves sentenced Norman to 48 hours in the county jail and 36 months of informal probation.