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**PRESS RELEASE**

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Re: Amanda Grae Sams – 2 years in prison

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For Burglary and Possession of a  
Fictitious or Forged Check

**Modesto, California** - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Amanda Grae Sams, age 31 of Keyes, was convicted on September 16, 2009 of first degree Burglary and Possession of a Fictitious or Forged Check. Deputy District Attorney Brad Nix prosecuted the case for the People.

On September 2, 2009, around 10:00 a.m., Sams broke into a residence in Turlock setting off an alarm. A neighbor saw the break in. Shortly thereafter, a car Sams was driving was stopped by officers and she was identified as the one who burglarized the home. A glove found in her car matched a glove left at the scene.

On May 22, 2007, Sams attempted to pass a check at a Turlock business for \$475 made out to her. The account had been closed for six years and even the bank had changed names. Although she was identified by the employees of the business, she was not arrested on this case until her arrest for the burglary charge.

Upon entry of the plea, the Honorable Timothy Salter sentenced Sams to two years in state prison on each case to run concurrently.