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PRESS RELEASE

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Modesto, California - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Amy Lynne Dunlap, age 46, of Modesto, was convicted on September 27, 2011 of Elder Abuse with an enhancement for personally inflicting great bodily injury upon a person over 70 years of age. Deputy District Attorney Elaine G. Casillas prosecuted the case for the People.

Dunlap was in a dating relationship and lived with the 91-year-old male victim. On April 14, 2011, Dunlap and the elderly victim argued and, afterwards, the victim had been in his attic trying to avoid Dunlap. While the victim was climbing down a ladder from the attic, Dunlap struck him on the head two times with a 2-inch by 4-inch piece of wood. The victim received two lacerations to his head -- one above his left eye and the other on the top of his head. Following treatment for his head injuries, the victim was never released from the hospital and died on April 25, 2011 of atherosclerotic heart disease.

The Honorable Thomas D. Zeff sentenced Dunlap to 7 years in state prison. By admitting to personally inflicting great bodily injury upon a person over 70 years of age, Dunlap is now convicted of a "strike" under California's Three Strikes Law.

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