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**PRESS RELEASE**

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Re: Parole Denied

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**Modesto, California** - Stanislaus County District Attorney Birgit Fladager announced today that Jack Britt, age 49, was found unsuitable for parole at a May 8th, 2014, hearing of the State Board of Parole Hearings at Soledad State Prison. Deputy District Attorney Sandra Bishop appeared at the hearing and argued for Britt's continued confinement based on the nature of the murder, his past history of criminal conduct and the unreasonable risk to public safety should he be paroled. The Board of Parole Hearings agreed, finding that Britt continued to pose an unreasonable risk of danger to society and denied parole for three years.

On December 21, 1984, Britt was convicted of the December 1, 1981 murder (with the use of a firearm) of John Crahan, a local High School teacher. Britt shot and killed Crahan at Crahan's Modesto home during a botched kidnapping and extortion plot. Britt was sentenced on January 18, 1985 to seventeen years to life in state prison. He has previously been denied parole nine times.

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