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Three Convicted of 2007 Pioneer Shooting

(Woodland, CA) – On August 28, 2009, Andrew Aradoz (16), Jose Rodriguez (18) and Kory Sanchez (20) all of Woodland pled to participation in the June 20, 2007 drive by shooting on Pioneer Avenue in Woodland of a 15 year old male. Specifically Andrew Aradoz pled to attempted murder, assault with a semi-automatic firearm, and car theft for the benefit of a criminal street gang for a stipulated sentence of 24 years 8 months to life in state prison. Jose Rodriguez pled to attempted murder and participation in criminal street gang activity for a stipulated 9 years 8 months state prison. Kory Sanchez pled to attempted murder for the benefit of a criminal street gang for a stipulated 19 years state prison.

On June 20, 2007 all three defendants were in a stolen Ford Explorer, driven by Kory Sanchez, chasing down a group of rival gang members. Jose Rodriguez had been in an altercation with them minutes earlier. Andrew Aradoz shot at the rival group with a .45 caliber semi-automatic pistol. The 15 year old male was shot in the back. The victim was able to identify his attacker to authorities. The Woodland Police Department had all three defendants in custody less than 12 hours after the shooting. The 15 year old suffered significant injuries, but recovered.

Sentencing is set for October 9, 2009 in front of the Honorable Judge Mock. For more information, contact Jonathan Raven at 530-666-8356.

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