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Mother Reunited with Son

(Woodland, CA) – District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that on March 19, 2009 Investigator Virginia Stroski and Enforcement Officer Angela Smith of the Yolo County District Attorney’s Office Child Abduction Unit recovered a six year old child from a school in San Bernardino County, Ca.

The Mother, Angela Vidales of Woodland, had not seen her son since June 2008. While the two had sporadic phone contact over the last few months, the Father refused to return the child since last June. The son went to see the father, Rene Vidales, in San Bernardino County for a visit during the summer of 2008 and was never returned.

On Wednesday, March 18, 2009 Superior Court Referee David Reed ordered that Ms. Vidales be given sole legal and sole physical custody of the six year old and signed a protective custody warrant for the return of the child. The Colton School District in Colton, Ca was extremely helpful in facilitating the safe return of the child. Enforcement Officer Smith stated upon return, “The reunification of Mother and child was very rewarding.”

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