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**Davis Man Sent to Prison for Assaulting Davis Officers**

(Woodland, CA) – District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that on February 5, 2010, Yolo County Superior Court Judge Kathleen White sentenced 28 year old Davis man Tracy Justin Cooke to two years and eight months in state prison after he was found guilty by a jury of two felony counts of resisting an officer.

On April 13, 2009 Davis Police were called to a residence on Olive Drive because Cooke was kicking in his neighbor's door. Davis officers responded to find the neighbor's door broken in and Cooke still banging on it. Cooke, who was intoxicated, immediately engaged the officers with aggressive movements and abusive language. When officers attempted to arrest Cooke for his drunk and disorderly conduct, he violently resisted. During the ensuing struggle with officers, Cooke severely injured one of the arresting officers. It is still unknown at this time whether the injured officer will ever fully recover from her injuries.

In sentencing Cooke to prison, Judge White concluded that based on the Probation Department's interview with Cooke, he would be unsuccessful if placed on probation and would be a dangerous public safety risk. She also stated that the Davis officers showed extreme patience with Cooke and could easily have used their tasers to subdue him at the beginning of the confrontation.

In response to the verdict, Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig said, "Police officers have a dangerous job. The judge's decision today sends a strong message that our community will not tolerate those who attack our protectors."

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