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**Leighton Dupree Sentenced to 27 years to Life for Second Degree Burglary
of North Valley Bank**

(Woodland, CA) – District Attorney, Jeff Reisig announced that Leighton Dupree was sentenced today by the Honorable Janet Gaard, Judge of the Superior Court, to a sentence of 27 years to life in the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

On January 12, 2010, Leighton Dupree entered the North Valley Bank in Woodland, intending to rob it. He approached a teller and told her, “I’m not trying to ruin your day, but this a bank robbery.” Dupree asked for the manager and when the bank manager approached Dupree again indicated that this was a bank robbery and he needed money. Dupree was handed \$373 in bank funds and left the bank, and was apprehended a short distance away by Woodland Police Officers.

A jury convicted Dupree of second degree burglary on October 1, 2010. The jury also found allegations that Dupree had suffered two prior serious felonies to be true.

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