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ADULT DRUG COURT BEGINS DECEMBER 7, 2007

FAIRFIELD, CA. – The Superior Court of California, County of Solano in partnership with the Solano County Board of Supervisors along with the Solano County Probation Department, District Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, Health and Social Services Department, and Sheriff's Office are pleased to announce the implementation of Adult Drug Court, which is partially funded by a California State Comprehensive Drug Court Implementation grant.

Beginning December 7, 2007, Adult Drug Court matters will be heard by the Honorable Garry T. Ichikawa in Department 14. Judge Ichikawa states "the Adult Drug Court provides an opportunity to collaborate with Solano County agencies in order to provide a much needed program that benefits the residents of Solano County." Chief Probation Officer Isabelle Voit believes "the Adult Drug Court collaboration is an exciting opportunity for Solano County to augment intervention services for adult drug offenders and increase their chances of success."

The mission of Adult Drug Court is to create an environment that reduces crime and promotes the offender's recovery through a coordinated response by the Adult Drug Court Justice Partners. The program consisting of three phases and lasting for at least 39-weeks; provides intensive treatment and supervision services to non-violent drug offenders. The Adult Drug Court offers the participant a clear choice; participation in treatment instead of going to jail or state prison. In exchange for successful completion of the treatment program, the Court may eventually dismiss the original charge, terminate probation early or reduce a felony to a misdemeanor charge.