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CARMEL MAN FOUND GUILTY OF STALKING AND ANNOYING TELEPHONE CALLS

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that on November 10, 2016 a Monterey County jury found Kevan Smith, age 52, guilty of two counts of stalking and one count of annoying telephone calls. The case was heard by Monterey County Superior Court Judge Larry Hayes.

In August 2014, Kevan Smith and the victim met when she sold him a vehicle she had posted on Craigslist. Shortly thereafter they went on a few dates. In September 2014, the victim decided she no longer wanted to pursue a relationship. From September 2014 through December 2015, Smith sent the victim hundreds of threatening voicemails and emails. He also left gifts for her on her porch and her vehicle and showed up at her work uninvited. The victim, who was in fear for her safety and for the safety of her family, obtained a temporary restraining order which Smith refused to comply with.

In December 2015, a three year no contact order was issued prohibiting him from contacting the her. Despite of the order, in April 2016 he began to leave threatening voicemails on her phone and would drive by her house multiple times, screaming obscenities at her as he was driving by.

Sentencing is scheduled for December 13, 2016 at which time the defendant is facing 4 years in prison.