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MARINA MAN FOUND GUILTY OF POSSESSING COCAINE FOR SALE

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Monterey County District Attorney Dean D. Flippo announced today that a Monterey County jury found Rodney Oneil Fluker, age 49, of Marina, guilty of a felony charge of possessing cocaine for sale.

On May 7, 2015, the Peninsula Regional Violence and Narcotics Team (PRVNT) served a search warrant on Mr. Fluker, his Marina apartment and his vehicles. PRVNT officers searched Mr. Fluker and found approximately thirteen grams of cocaine in the right, front pocket of his pants. They found about \$543 and two cell phones in the left, front pocket of his pants. During the search of his apartment, they found: (1) a small bundle of cocaine (0.64 grams gross) and a small bundle of cocaine base (0.54 grams gross) on the kitchen table; and (2) \$700 cash in a lockbox in a bedroom closet. They also found a total of \$1,243 in cash while serving the warrant. A forensic exam of one of Mr. Fluker's cell phones revealed several text messages in which people requested drugs.

The case is scheduled for sentencing before Judge Pamela Butler on November 17, 2017. Mr. Fluker faces a maximum penalty of up to four years in the Monterey County Jail.

Detective Richard Cox of the Marina Police Department served as the chief investigating officer. Members of PRVNT, Probation Officer Kevin Christian, and Natalie Dill of the District Attorney's Office assisted with the investigation.