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MICHAEL DAVID WOODY

Mr. Michael David Woody, 54, of Eureka, was sentenced today to 18 years and 8 months, in state prison, for felony transportation of rock cocaine, transportation of heroin, being a felon in possession of a firearm, and misdemeanor resisting a law enforcement officer. Mr. Woody received a base term of 7 years and 8 months, and an additional 11 years for enhancements that include prior convictions for sales and transportation of controlled substances, having served three prior prison terms, and committing a felony while out on its own recognizance.

On August 19, 2010, a jury convicted Mr. Woody of transportation of rock cocaine and methamphetamine, as well as resisting a law enforcement officer. Mr. Woody's second trial began on August 23, 2010. In that case, he was charged with simple possession of heroin and being a felon in possession of a firearm. Additionally, it was alleged that Mr. Woody committed those felonies while out on bail. As part of his defense, Mr. Woody filed a motion to suppress evidence, which was denied. Following the court's ruling, the matter resolved for an agreed upon term in the Department of Corrections. As part of the plea, the District Attorney's Office agreed to dismiss another pending felony matter, wherein Mr. Woody was charged with felony possession of concentrated cannabis.

Judge Dale Reinholtsen presided over both trials.

The cases were prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Ben McLaughlin.