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**Re: Wayne Mezzles, sentenced to State Prison for 40 years  
followed by an additional 50 years to life**

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce Dudley announced today that Wayne Mezzles was sentenced on March 20, 2012, to serve 40 years in State Prison followed by an indeterminate term of 50 years to life. Judge Edward Bullard handed down this domestic violence sentence following a February 2, 2012 jury trial where Mezzles was convicted of six felony counts including Criminal Threats, Corporal Injury to a Spouse, and Possession of Metal Knuckles. This jury trial conviction represents the defendant's Third Strike.

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