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## PRESS RELEASE

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Re: People v. Serena Rodriguez

On behalf of the Solano County District Attorney's Office, we want to extend our deepest condolences to Officer Matthew Bowen's wife, his children, his parents, his extended family, his law enforcement family at the Vacaville Police Department, our law enforcement partners, and our entire community.

Last Thursday, July 11, 2024, Officer Bowen lost his life as he was killed in the line of duty. Officer Matthew Bowen had previously served his community at the Concord Police Department for 3 ½ years, before joining the Vacaville Police Department in June 2023. On July 11th, Officer Matthew Bowen was working as a motor officer assigned to the traffic division at the time he was killed.

Today, our office filed a Felony Complaint against Defendant Serena Rodriguez, 24 years old, out of Auburn, Ca. We have alleged in Count 1 of the Felony Complaint, that Defendant Rodriguez murdered Officer Bowen within the meaning of Penal Code Section 187(a). The Felony Complaint against Rodriguez further alleges a Special Circumstance stating that Matthew Bowen, an Officer at the Vacaville Police Department, was intentionally killed while he was engaged in the performance of his duties in violation of Penal Code Section 190.2(a)(7).

Today, Defendant Rodriguez appeared in court for Arraignment. At the request of defense counsel, the case was continued one week, and the defendant is scheduled to return to court on July 22, 2024, in Department 1.

Defendant is being held without bail.