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## **ABC Arrests Six Individuals on Illegal Drug Charges**

*ABC Investigators go Undercover for Five Months before Making Arrests during Raid*

**Citrus Heights/Orangevale**— ABC Investigators along with help from the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department and Citrus Heights Police Department arrested six people on illegal drug charges during a raid involving activity inside two Sacramento County bars on June 21, 2007.

ABC Investigators went undercover numerous times since February, 2007, in order to substantiate complaints about illegal drug activity at Ray's Lounge, 6228 Main Avenue, Orangevale, and the Halftime Sports Bar, 8038 Greenback Lane in Citrus Heights.

As a result of the five month-long undercover investigation, six arrests were made for felony sales of methamphetamine and marijuana. Two of those arrested were bartenders at Ray's Lounge, one was a patron at Ray's Lounge and three were patrons at the Halftime Sports Bar.

Those arrested on illegal narcotics charges were 29 year old Jamie Marie Saxon of Citrus Heights, 36 year old Michelle Johnston of Orangevale, 46 year old Larry Parks of Orangevale, 58 year old Charles Hood of Carmichael, 45 year old Ralph Stockie of Citrus Heights, and 39 year old Delbert Valadez of Citrus Heights.

In addition to the criminal charges against the suspects involved, the Department expects to file accusations against the licensees of the two bars. Administrative penalties for illegal narcotics activity inside a licensed premises can result in significant suspension time and may include the actual revocation of the ABC license.

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