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**Buzzard Sentenced for Criminal Threats Against Kern County Supervisor**  
*People v. Parrish Buzzard: Kern County Superior Court Case BF203953A*

(Bakersfield) - Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant sentencing. On January 16, 2026, Parish Buzzard entered a no contest plea to one count of criminal threats. Buzzard also admitted to a prior strike conviction out of Fresno County for criminal threats, making him eligible for an elevated sentence. Buzzard's conviction stems from a series of threatening emails directed at Kern County Supervisor Jeff Flores. On February 18, 2026, the Honorable Judge Eric Bradshaw sentenced Parrish Buzzard to serve 32 months in state prison.

On March 18, 2025, the Kern County Sheriff's Office was made aware of a threatening email sent to the Kern County Board of Supervisor Jeff Flores' District 3 email. Investigation revealed that Buzzard, an unknown individual to Mr. Flores, had sent over 70 emails directed at Supervisor Flores. Among the emails, Parrish threatened "bash" Mr. Flores' "brains in" followed by "Give me my fucking money" as well as "I'm going to open fire on your hospital." The emails contained racial slurs with multiple emails containing photos of various weapons. Parrish was taken into custody on March 26, 2025.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented; "The first amendment ensures that public officials are subject to scrutiny and critique, but criminal laws demand that they are not subjected to criminal threats. Efforts to influence public policy through intimidation and violence are forms of domestic terrorism that neither America in general, nor Kern County in particular, will tolerate."

Parrish Buzzard:

