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Summary of Cases Accepted and Related Actions During Week of December 18, 2017

[This news release is issued to inform the public and the press of cases that the Supreme Court has accepted and of their general subject matter. The statement of the issue or issues in each case set out below does not necessarily reflect the view of the court, or define the specific issues that will be addressed by the court.]

#17-348 *People v. Besenty, S244887.* (B275222; nonpublished opinion; Los Angeles County Superior Court; TA115853.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal modified and affirmed a judgment of conviction of criminal offenses. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in *People v. Mateo, S232674* (#16-147), which presents the following issue: In order to convict an aider and abettor of attempted willful, deliberate and premeditated murder under the natural and probable consequences doctrine, must a premeditated attempt to murder have been a natural and probable consequence of the target offense? In other words, should *People v. Favor* (2012) 54 Cal.4th 868 be reconsidered in light of *Alleyne v. United States* (2013) ___ U.S. ___ [113 S.Ct. 2151] and *People v. Chiu* (2014) 59 Cal.4th 155?

#17-349 *People v. Lopez, S245493.* (F073918; nonpublished opinion; Tulare County Superior Court; VCF329369A.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal modified and affirmed a judgment of conviction of criminal offenses. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in *People v. Ruiz, S235556* (#16-312), which presents the following issue: May a trial court properly impose a criminal laboratory analysis fee (Health & Saf. Code, § 11372.5, subd. (a)) and a drug program fee (Health & Saf. Code, § 11372.7, subd. (a)) based on a defendant's conviction for conspiracy to commit certain drug offenses?

#17-350 *People v. Perez, S245462.* (E066390; nonpublished opinion; Riverside County Superior Court; INF1500899.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed a judgment of conviction of criminal offenses. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in *People v. Page, S230793* (#16-28), which presents the following issue: Does Proposition 47 ("the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act") apply to the offense of

unlawful taking or driving a vehicle (Veh. Code, § 10851), because it is a lesser included offense of Penal Code section 487, subdivision (d), and that offense is eligible for resentencing to a misdemeanor under Penal Code sections 490.2 and 1170.18?

#17-351 *People v. Smith, S245409.* (D071956; nonpublished opinion; San Diego County Superior Court; SCN342422.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed a judgment of conviction of a criminal offense. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in *In re Ricardo P.*, S230923 (#16-41), which presents the following issue: Did the trial court err imposing an “electronics search condition” on minor as a condition of his probation when it had no relationship to the crimes he committed but was justified on appeal as reasonably related to future criminality under *People v. Olguin* (2008) 45 Cal.4th 375 because it would facilitate his supervision?

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