

**Illinois Prisoner Review Board
EN BANC MINUTE SHEET
MEETING OF June 26, 2014**

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison,, Springfield, IL, on June 26, 2014, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

C66130 JASPER GLENN
C02290 JOSEPH BIGSBY
C73173 CURTIS ZACKERY
C01503 CALVIN MADISON
H35583 ROLAND THOMPSON
C15020 ZELMA KING
C01600 JOHNNY VEAL
C70014 HUBERT PUTNEY
C81751 ORVILLE MILLER
C60957 TERRY DAVIS
C15356 GEORGE KNIGHTS
C63250 JERICO SMALLEY

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Monreal
Roll call was taken by the Recording Secretary: Kelly Knappmeyer

MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Angela Blackman-Donovan	X	
Edith Crigler	X	
Ed Bowers	X	
Salvador Diaz	X	
Eric Gregg	X	
Craig Findley	X	
Vonetta Harris	X	
Tom Johnson	X	
Jesse Madison		X
William Norton	X	
Jennifer Parrack	X	
Donald Shelton	X	
William Simmons	X	
Geraldine Tyler	X	
Adam Monreal	X	

12 Present

The Recording Secretary presented the following minutes for approval:
Open Session Minutes from May 29, 2014. (ADM – WN) Leave

Motion to continue Eugene Horton to August 2014 En Banc Session. (VH – ADM). Leave.

Meeting was adjourned (ADM – CF). Leave.

Submitted by: Kelly R. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Chair has a motion to enter Executive Session to all private protests can be presented by the Board. Member Findley seconded the motion. Motion approved 14 – 0.

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Inmate Name: Johnny Veal IDOC Number & Institution: C01600

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Shelton presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

Johnny Veal was interviewed for parole consideration on May 7, 2014, at Hill Correction Center. Factors considered by the Board included testimony of the inmate; a review of the case file, record of previous arrests and of Inmate Veal's institutional adjustment, as well as an assessment of the parole plan. There was one witness, presenting separately on May 7, in favor of the inmate's parole, and Inmate Veal was not represented by counsel.

Inmate Veal was convicted of the murder of two on-duty Chicago Police officers, offenses that occurred on July 17, 1970. There was a co-defendant in this case who was also convicted. Inmate Veal received two concurrent 100 – 199 year sentences.

Chicago Police Sergeant James Severin and Officer Anthony Rizzato were responding on foot to a citizen's report of gunshots being fired at the Cabrini-Green housing complex. As they approached the scene they were both shot from a distance, later determined to have been from rifle fire. Both officers died from their wounds.

Inmate Veal denies his participation in this crime, however, the subsequent investigation revealed Mr. Veal's participation as an organizer of the crime, a planned assassination of police officers, in furtherance of the ends of a Chicago street gang, associated with the Black P Stone Nation.

Although recent years have seen a substantial reduction in Institutional Discipline Reports, the Board finds the history of these to be significant. In 2014 Inmate Veal declared that he was NO LONGER a member of the Black P Stone Nation, however the Board finds no such declaration in the record prior to 2014 and incidents throughout his incarceration support a belief that gang involvement has been ongoing.

Institutional adjustment was reviewed. The Board notes the recording of 12 major institutional violations since the year 2000 alone, the most recent being in 2014 and prior to that, in 2011. 360 violations (major and minor) are recorded.

Inmate Veal is to be lauded for the following accomplishments: 1995 – Certificate, TUTOR TRAINING (Joliet Jr. College); completion, ANGER MANAGEMENT LEVEL II (Lawrence C.C.); Completion, UNIFORM LAW CLERK TRAINING (Joliet Jr. College); 1998 - Degree, ASSOCIATE OF ARTS (Lewis University); 1999: Certificate, COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY (MacMurray College); 2000: ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE (MacMurray College); 2001 – Certificate, COMMERCIAL CUSTODIAL ; 2004: Certificate, EDUCATION TO CAREERS (Lincoln Trail College); 2005 – Certificate, COLLEGE REMEDIAL PROGRAM (Carl Sandburg College); 2007 – Certificate, MANAGEMENT (Danville Area Community College); 2008 – Certificate of Completion, LIFESTYLE REDIRECTION ; 2012 – Certificate of Completion, INSIDE OUT DAD (Hill C.C.); 2013: Completion, part II, GOD WITH US (Dismiss Ministry).

Parole plan was discussed. It was noted that Mr. Veal has a lot of family support.

Rehabilitation was discussed. It was noted that Mr. Veal denied any involvement in the instant offense. He does not display remorse. He skirted around questions in the interview and was evasive.

Accomplishments notwithstanding, the Board continues to be troubled both by the nature of this brutal crime perpetrated against law enforcement officers and with the history of infractions during Inmate Veal's incarceration.

Member Johnson noted he took the protest in this case and there is protest on file. Cook County is strongly opposed to parole. 16 different police organizations are all opposed. Superintendent McCarthy is opposed. There is a lot of opposition. There have been no prior votes and consistent three year sets.

Member Findley noted he has interviewed an inmate who remembered Officer Severen. He stated he was a very nice man. This greatly impacted the community.

Chairman Monreal noted there are letters of support on file as well.

Cook County Assistant State's Attorney Norton noted Inmate Veal continues to deny involvement in this crime and any gang activity. Her records indicate he received a ticket in 2004 for gang activity. He has received approximately 360 tickets. He assassinated two on-duty police officers. The crime was planned and calculated. They are requesting a five-year set.

Howard Saffold, Ted Pearson and Helen Sinclair were present in support of Inmate Veal. They indicated there were a number of inaccuracies in the presentation. There were no witnesses that testified Inmate Veal and co-defendant admitted guilt. They were wrongfully charged and convicted. You cannot ask a man to admit guilt for something he did not do. They believe him. There was a confession by someone else. They noted the many support letters on file.

Member Shelton further noted he had a conversation with a Lt. who stated Inmate Veal continues to be gang involved at the Ambassador Level.

The Board finds that a grant of parole would deprecate the seriousness of crimes for which Inmate Veal stands convicted and would promote disrespect for the law.

Motion to deny parole. (DS – CF). Leave.

Motion for a three year set. (DS – CF). Motion carries 12 – 2. Members Crigler and Tyler dissented.

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Inmate Name: George Knights IDOC Number & Institution: C15356

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Norton presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

A parole assessment interview was conducted with George C. Knights on May 28, 2014. Mr. Knights was born on January 8, 1947, is currently sixty-eight (68) years of age, and was a resident of the Pinckneyville Correctional Center on the date of the interview. According to the file, Mr. Knights is serving a sentence of 100-199 years for two Counts of Murder. Mr. Knights was convicted on two (2) Counts of Murder and received a sentence of 100-199 years on each Count of Murder, with both sentences to run concurrent (Cook County, IL. 70-2278). Factors to be considered by the Board include, but are not limited to, testimony of the resident, a review of the file, the nature of the crime and offense, institutional adjustment and parole plans.

The file and record would indicate that on or about July 17, 1970, two Chicago Police Officers, James Severin and Anthony Rizzato, were participating on a volunteer basis in a special program sponsored by the Chicago Housing Authority near the Cabrini Green Housing Project in Chicago, IL. The name of the community relations program was "Walk and Talk" and the purpose of the program was to establish rapport and good will with residents of the housing community and with the police authorities who would patrol that neighborhood. On the date in question, July 17, 1970, the two (2) aforementioned Chicago Police Officers, James Severin and Anthony Rizzato, were both shot and gunned down by high powered rifles as they walked defenseless across an open baseball field located near the Cabrini Green Housing Project. Both police officers were killed as a result of the fatal wounds that they sustained during the planned assassination of these two (2) police officers. Resident George C. Knights and Co-Defendant Johnny Veal were each convicted of two (2) Counts of Murder for this offense and George C. Knights and Co-Defendant Johnny Veal received the same sentence. Mr. Knights continues to claim that he is innocent and that he had no involvement in the murder of either Chicago Police Officer.

The parole assessment as completed by the Illinois Department of Corrections would report that Mr. Knights' adjustment has improved over the past several years and has been above average. He is currently unassigned. Mr. Knights reported that his parents are deceased but his closest relatives include two brothers, two sisters, a daughter and a son. Mr. Knights advised that he had a visit in 2011 or 2012 with his son and daughter. Mr. Knights further advised that if

granted parole he would reside with his daughter, Taunia Knights, at her residence in Hillside, Illinois and that he has been offered employment as a para-legal with a law firm. Mr. Knights also indicated he inherited a large sum of money from his mother. Mr. Knights stated that his health was good with the exception of high blood pressure. Mr. Knights was pleasant, polite and attentive during the interview.

Motion to enter Executive Session. (WN – EB). Leave.

Motion to return to Open Session. (ADM – DS). Leave.

Member Norton noted the strong letter of opposition from the Cook County State's Attorney. He has never received votes and consistently receives three year sets. To release at this time would deprecate the seriousness of the offense and promote disrespect for the law.

Motion to deny. (WN – EG). Leave.

Motion for a three year set. (WN - CF). Motion carries 12 – 2. Members Crigler and Tyler dissented.

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Inmate Name: Joseph Bigsby IDOC Number & Institution: C02290

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Shelton presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

Inmate Bigsby was convicted of the murder of Chicago Police Officer Edward L Barron, a crime that occurred on September 28, 1973 as the Mr. Bigsby was fleeing the scene of two armed robberies perpetrated by him. Officer Barron was one of a number of Chicago police officers that responded to the reported armed robberies. Inmate Bigsby, in his attempt to escape, shot Officer Barron in the face when confronted. Inmate Bigsby continued his attempt to flee, firing additional shots at additional officers. He was shot once in the leg and surrendered after his weapon was empty.

Inmate Bigsby does not dispute his conviction for the murder of Officer Barron, nor does he dispute his conviction for the armed robberies. He claims to have been under the influence of drugs at time of the offenses. He was 16 years of age at the time but his case, on motion of the state, was transferred to adult court. He received a 100 – 200 year sentence for MURDER, three (3) concurrent 20-50 year sentences for ATTEMPTED MURDER, and a 20 year sentence for ARMED ROBBERY.

Inmate Bigsby was interviewed for parole consideration on May 27, 2014, at Danville Correction Center in the presence of Counsel. The Board considered the testimony of the inmate and conducted a review of the case file, the record of previous arrests, his institutional adjustment, and his parole plan.

Inmate Bigsby's institutional record has been good, with 93 Institutional Discipline Reports (IDRs) during 38 years of incarceration at Illinois Department of Corrections, which numbers are as follows:

2009 (2); 2008 (0); 2007 (2); 2006 (1); 2005 (4); 2004 (1); 2003 (1); 2002 (2); 2001 (1); 2000 (7); 1999 (0); 1998 (2); 1997 (2); 1996 (5); 1995 (1); 1994 (4); 1993 (2) ; 1992 (1); 1991 (2); 1990 (1); 1989 (2); 1988 (1); 1987 (5); 1986 (2); 1985 (2); 1984 (2); 1983 (3); 1982 (1) ; 1980

(4); 1979 (4); 1978 (2); 1979 (9); 1978 (2); 1977 (9); 1976 (12); 1975 (4). 42 reports were minor rules violations.

Inmate Bigsby is to be lauded for the following accomplishments: **1977** – G.E.D.; **1982** Certificate of Achievement, SMALL ENGINE SERVICES (Joliet Jr. College); **1991** – Certificates of Completion, ELECTRONICS SERVICE AND REPAIR, INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONICS, MICROPROCESSOR MAINTENANCE (Sauk Valley Community College); **1992** - Degree, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE/ELECTRONICS (Sauk Valley Community College); **1999** - Certificate of Completion, COMMUNICATIONS ELECTRONICS (Sauk Valley Community College); **2000** – Certificate, COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY (Carl Sandburg College); **2002** – Certificate, HIV/STD PEER EDUCATION TRAINING (IL. Dept. of Public Health) ; **2005** - Completion, ANGER MANAGEMENT (Danville Correctional Center); **2006** – Completion, “WAY TO HAPPINESS” PROGRAM (Criminon Illinois).

Member Shelton stated he believes Inmate Bigsby has changed and is remorseful.

Member Crigler stated Inmate Bigsby was a 16 year old boy when the instant offense occurred and he was running the streets and using drugs. The Supreme Court has stated children should be handled differently than adults. He has been rehabilitated and has a very strong parole plan.

Member Simmons noted Inmate Bigsby has an opportunity to drop the weapon several times and did not. He knew what he was doing when he was shooting at police officers. He also robbed a 70 year old man.

Member Johnson stated he took the protest at the Cook County State’s Attorney’s office. They are strongly opposed to parole. They indicated he was on probation at the time of the instant offense. He had several previous encounters with the police. The police asked him multiple times to surrender. He shot Office Barron in the head. The court originally charged him as a juvenile and evidence was presented to charge him as an adult. He understood the court proceedings. The judge stated he considered the possibility of Inmate Bigsby being rehabilitated. Some cases are so heinous; there is no room to consider rehabilitation. They read the State’s Attorney’s report of the judge’s statement. The judge said the death penalty would have been appropriate in this case if it were a possibility at the time. The court considered Inmate Bigsby’s age. Also, a clarification, the court never offered a plea negotiation in this case. Also, there were statements made the Officer Mosely was a half-brother to Inmate Bigsby and he is supportive of parole. That is absolutely untrue. Also, at the time of the trial, Bigsby denied involvement. They are asking for an extended set. Member Johnson stated he also took testimony at Fraternal Order of Police. They are also strongly opposed to parole.

Member Tyler asked how old Inmate Bigsby is at this time. He is 57 years old.

Member Blackman-Donovan stated to Northwestern in regard to Moseley, that should never happen again.

Member Diaz noted Inmate Bigsby has done well in the institution, but he shot a Chicago Police officer. There are murders happening every day in Chicago. If Inmate Bigsby were to be

paroled, that would aggravate that situation. It is a bad time for him to be paroled. He can be rehabilitated and still be productive in prison. Board Members should think long and hard.

Parole Plan is very strong. (DS). He should never go back to Chicago. His family and attorneys should execute an out of state parole plan to his sister in Maryland.

Jonathan Jacobson with Northwestern Law stated an interstate compact has already been granted.

Member Shelton stated Inmate Bigsby is involved in programs to help other inmates. He hopes to work with inmates who will be getting out. He could repair hearing aids. Member Shelton believes the petitioner is a legitimate demonstration of a changed life.

Member Findley stated the petitioner murdered a Chicago Police Officer. However, the Board has to think of the law that existed at the time. They have to consider rehabilitation. They also have to look at the effect on society. This is a crime you can't forget and can't forgive. That is not what they have to consider. They have to consider rehabilitation, and he believes the petitioner is rehabilitated. He has done everything he can to better himself. If he goes to Maryland, Member Findley is convinced he will never commit another crime.

Member Blackman-Donovan indicated the Board also has an obligation to consider public safety. They should not deprecate the seriousness of the offense and promote disrespect for the law. She agreed with Mr. Diaz's viewpoint. Parole would be rejoiced by gangs in Chicago.

Member Johnson stated the statute they are sworn to follow says three criteria. There is a difference when someone kills a police officer. It is a shot at society and the public. It brings disrespect to the law. Parole would deprecate the seriousness of the offense and promote disrespect for the law.

Chairman Monreal stated this case has weighed heavily on the Board for years. Inmate Bigsby's Institutional Adjustment is excellent, but should the restoration of the Inmate weigh more than the seriousness of the offense?

Cook County Assistant State's Attorney Donna Norton stated Inmate Bigsby had a sexual misconduct in 1993 at Dixon when he impregnated a female inmate. Also, as per his intent, Joseph Bigsby left his house on the morning of the offense with a loaded gun.

Attorney Jacobson, in regard to Sgt. Mosley, he had a phone conversation with him in which he Joseph told him he was Bigsby's half-brother. He told him he was supportive of parole. Member Johnson said that is not true. He is very opposed to parole. They had a 45 minute phone conversation and Sgt. Mosley was furious about their statements. Attorney Jacobson stated they have not misrepresented the facts, as they were true at the time. He had an appointment with him to get those statements in person, but that never happened.

Member Blackman-Donovan stated they should get witnessed here to testify or get an affidavit. No more "I spoke with someone on the phone." That is not appropriate.

Attorney Jacobson stated Joseph was a wayward 16 year old and has changed. There is nothing more he can do to prove he is ready to be released. Please vote to parole him today.

Member Tyler stated if they throw the element of rehabilitation out the window, it would become very difficult to make an honest decision. They have to take in to account what he has done in the last 40 years.

Member Shelton stated he believes Inmate Bigsby has demonstrated he will be a useful member of society.

Motion to grant parole. (DS – GT). Motion does not carry 6 – 8. Voting in favor of the motion were Members Crigler Findley, Harris, Parrack, Shelton and Tyler.

Members Blackman-Donovan, Bowers, Diaz, Gregg, Johnson, Norton, Simmons and Chairman Monreal dissented.

Motion for a three-year set. (TJ – ADM). Motion does not carry 5 – 9. Voting in favor of the motion were Members Diaz, Gregg, Johnson, Norton and Chairman Monreal.

Members Blackman-Donovan, Bowers, Crigler, Findley, Harris, Parrack, Shelton, Simmons and Tyler dissented.

Parole is denied for one year.

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Inmate Name: Zelma King IDOC Number & Institution: C15020

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Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Findley presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

Zelma King, guilty of three Chicago murders on May 6, 1967, was interviewed for parole consideration on May 7 at the Hill CC. Present and in support of parole was Earl Bracey of Macomb. After administering the oath to both men, petitioner King said he would make a few comments but that his attorney would speak for him and answer PRB questions about his criminal history, institutional adjustment and parole plans.

Mr. Bracey introduced himself first as counsel for petitioner but also as his brother and as someone who would provide a host site for Mr. King. Bracey spoke at length of his background and ability to provide a safe and supportive home for petitioner. He spoke of his employment as an associate vice president of student services at WIU and previously as college counsel. I place my reputation on the line, he said, in ensuring that King would receive his complete emotional and financial support. Under my care, he said, King will not commit any criminal offense. He further stated that King was never a gang member, a claim not supported by DOC counselor reports over the years.

A professed Buddhist for 16 years, and previously a member of the Nation of Islam, King is a voracious reader and student of religion who believes his faith will prevent him from ever committing another crime. Each day I try to be the best Buddhist I can be.

Saying that continued incarceration would be a waste of taxpayers' money, King says he tries to show that his life in prison indicates how he has evolved as a person.

Noting his work as a carpenter for many years, King says he will accept any job and will make a contribution to society.

The murders arose from a dispute over property stored in his apartment building and were over in two minutes, his attorney said.

At the time of the murders the 25-year-old offender had recently moved into an apartment at 4233 W Washington. In response to an ad offering a refrigerator for sale, Thomas Higgins went to the apartment where King resided with his aunt and inspected the appliance in the basement. Minutes later King was heard arguing with Viola Kendall, the building's owner. Shots were fired. The bodies of Kendall and Higgins were found in a hallway with gunshot wounds to the head. Mrs. Adelle Young, apparently hearing the gunshots, stepped from her apartment and was fatally shot by King as he ran down the stairs. King fled and was apprehended by the FBI in Arizona ten months later. Convicted by a jury, King was sentenced to death by electrocution, later resentenced to consecutive 100-300 year sentences and finally sentenced to concurrent 100-300 year sentences for the three murders.

Twenty five years old at the time of the crime, his prior criminal history is minor. A 1967 rape charge was dismissed and a 1963 arrest for contributing to the delinquency of a minor is absent court disposition.

Psychiatrists determined that King did not require counseling or medication, and with the exception of a sexual misconduct in the 1980s and "three fist fights over 46 years", his institutional adjustment does not reflect aggressive behavior. But it does offer strong evidence of a disregard for authority, a sense of entitlement, in the words of one counselor, and a management problem, said another.

The numbers speak for themselves. One major ticket for contraband since last year. Five major and two minor IDRs the previous year. And a total of 100 major and 151 minor IDRs since he was admitted into DOC.

King's brother is accomplished and articulate. He has remained in contact with petitioner and understands both the gravity of the admitted offenses and accepts responsibility for his care.

His parole plan is poorly conceived. At the time of his apprehension, he was on the FBI Top 10 Most Wanted list. Four victims were shot in the head.

King has not demonstrated the ability to conform to the requirements of prison life, and the deaths of three individuals over a property dispute give little confidence that he is an acceptable risk for parole. Parole would deprecate the seriousness of the crime and promote disrespect for the law.

Motion to deny parole. (CF – GT). Motion carries 14 – 0.

Motion for a two year set. (CF – EB). Motion carries 14 – 0.

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Inmate Name: Calvin Madison IDOC Number & Institution C01503

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Harris presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

Inmate Calvin L. Madison C-Case number 01503: age 67- born May 14, 1947 in Rockford, IL to Arthur and Ali Ruth Madison. Madison is the middle child of two brothers who were both present at the Institutional hearing on his behalf. Inmate Madison is currently housed at Graham Correctional Center since 2003. Prior to Graham, he has been housed at Statesville (72-93: 21 yrs.); Hill (93-2002:9 years); Dixon (2002-2003): transferred to medical reasons and now Graham (2003-present: 11 years). Inmate Madison was convicted for the crimes of Murder (75-150 years); Armed Robbery (5-15 years). He was sentenced for the offense on September 25, 1970. He has currently served 44 years.

On January 22, 1970, Inmate Madison, his co-defendant Thomas Charles, and Michael Hill wanted to go to a party. As they were preparing to go to a party, the car wouldn't start and they needed money for gas. They decided to separate and go to two different gas stations. Michael Hill went to a separate gas station while Inmate Madison and co-defendant Thomas Charles went to the Gas For Less. They knew they didn't have any money so their plan was to pull a robbery to purchase gas. As they proceeded to the gas station, Inmate Madison initiated the robbery by taking the loaded .22 caliber pistol into the gas station and announcing the robbery. The victim cooperated completely by giving Inmate Madison the money, which was \$80. Instead of leaving the gas station, they told the victim John Hogan, 19 years of age, to go into the bathroom where he was shot 4 times to the head and neck. Inmate Madison and the co-defendant Thomas Charles ran out of the gas station, to Madison's home at 439 Webster and split the money.

Inmate Madison, nor the co-defendant Thomas Charles, ever told anyone- not even Michael Hill who was never charged for the offense. After the brutal murder and armed robbery took place, the co-defendant Thomas Charles, left Inmate Madison's home,

drove his car and had an accident. When the police arrived they found that the co-defendant Thomas Charles was intoxicated. When they took him downtown to the police station, Charles openly admitted that he committed a crime of armed robbery and murder and named Inmate Madison as his accomplice. When the police arrived at Madison's home, he was taken downtown where he also admitted to the murder and armed robbery of John Hogan.

Inmate Madison admitted that he fired the gun that killed young John Hogan. The co-defendant Thomas Charles also described the details of the crime and he too implicates Madison as the person who fired the weapon.

Inmate Calvin Madison was tried for Murder and Armed Robbery in a five-day trial commencing on July 6, 1970 and ending July 10, 1970. Prior to this conviction, Inmate Madison was on parole in 1969 for an Armed Robbery committed in 1965 of which he received 5 to 15 years.

For more than 20 years Inmate Madison has served time in Medium security and has retained A-grade. From 1965-1981 he has had a total of 37 tickets; 1981-1999 (no tickets) and from 2000-2012; 6 tickets (5 minor, 1 major). He joined a gang called Black Souls at the age of 23 until he was 46. He renounced his association with the gang while incarcerated at Hill Correctional Facility in the early 1990's. Inmate Madison made a religious conversion to Islam and became a Muslim. Since the conversion, he has been a strong influence in his demeanor, character, and values. He leads services twice a week, mentors to fellow inmates, teach religious courses on Mondays. His Islamic name is Imam Muhammad Abdullah. Because his strong faith in Islam, he has become a positive force in changing the outlook and the stigmatism on many of the males lives that he mentors.

Before incarceration, his last level of education was the 10th grade. He obtained his GED, 2 certificates in mechanical operation, industrial electricity, 2 Associates degrees in Electronics and 13 credit hours short of obtaining his Bachelors degree in Psychology. As of 2000, Inmate Madison was diagnosed with Renal Failure. He dialysis's 3 times per week and is on a strict renal diet. His kidneys stopped functioning completely in 2003. He takes 5 pills per day including meds for high blood pressure. During his leisure time he lifts weights and runs.

Inmate Madison states that this was a senseless crime that should have never happened. If only he could go back, he would never have entered the gas station. He admits that he cannot change what happened and that he realizes when you hear his name, you remember the terrible crime he committed. But he wants the world to know and the family of John Hogan that there is not a day that goes by that he doesn't regret what he did. I am truly sorry for my actions and that I can only show them my remorse by being a better person today. It is through my education, and my faith that I realized that I was an immature, uneducated, and incorrigible kid who made some terrible choices. I wish I could reach out to the family and tell them how sorry I am, but I cannot contact them. I want them to see the Calvin Madison today.

Inmate Madison was a candidate for St. Leonard's House in Chicago, IL, but they do not accept dialysis patients nor does other traditional halfway houses. If paroled, he can live with his oldest brother, Darryl Madison, 70 who reside in Fort Wayne, Indiana for the past 28 years. He is a retired General Motors employee and had served four years in the Air force. His second option is to live with his younger brother, Gordon Madison, 64 who reside in Wheaton, IL who is a retired Special Education teacher. It should also be noted that there are 2 other halfway houses in the city of Chicago that will accept dialysis patients.

Past votes were reviewed.

Member Parrack noted she took the protest in Winnebago County and already discussed it in the Executive Session.

Member Blackman-Donovan asked if the petitioner said why he committed these crimes. Ms. Harris stated he said he really didn't know why he did it. He admits doing the shootings, but couldn't say why.

Member Shelton stated the victim lived a block away from Inmate Madison. He probably shot him to he could not identify him.

Parole Plan was discussed. He could live with his brother.

Mr. Bruscato and Ms. Ross from Winnebago County stated Inmate Madison was originally sentenced to death. That was overturned. Inmate Madison was clearly the shooter. This was a cold and calculated crime. Parole would deprecate the seriousness of the offense and promote disrespect for the law.

Margaret Soffin, attorney for Inmate Madison, stated Calvin's mother and brothers are present today. He was on parole for armed robbery at the time of this offense. When things went wrong he panicked. His parents were going through a divorce and he was very angry. Today, he is spiritual and calm. They have located a halfway house in Chicago that will accept him while he is on dialysis.

Member Harris noted the many letters of support and protest on file. This was a senseless crime, but after meetings Mr. Madison she did sense his remorse. She stated Inmate Madison has made every attempt to change the trajectory of his life from the incorrigible young man he was to the religious, educated, mentor he has become today.

Motion to Grant Parole. (VH – EC). Motion does not carry 4 – 10.

Voting in favor of parole were Members Crigler, Findley, Harris and Tyler.

Members Blackman-Donovan, Bowers, Diaz, Gregg, Johnson, Norton, Parrack, Shelton, Simmons and Chairman Monreal dissented.

Parole is denied.

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Illinois Prisoner Review Board
EN BANC MINUTE SHEET
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Inmate Name: Curtis Zackery IDOC Number & Institution C73173

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Diaz presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

Interview: 13 May 2014 at Dixon CC

Present: Mr. Zackery, Attorney Mr. Thomas Krebs, Mr. Victor Gaskins Prog. Dir. at St. Leonard's, Mr. Walter Boyd, Exec. Dir. St. Leonard's; Daughters Keisha Lacy and Latasha

Lawrence, and the reporting PRB member.

- 28th time before the PRB.
- Votes: 2013 (6), 2012 (5), 2011 (2), 201 (3), 2009 (3), 2008 (3).
- Projected Discharge Date: 6/28/18

Crime: 2 cts. Murder, 50-110 years; 2 cts. Armed Robbery, 20-60 years , next Sep. will complete his 37th year in the IDOC (9-30-77).

Facts of the case:

- On the 20th of February 1977, 22 yr. old Curtis Zackery and his 17 yr. old nephew Billy Lightning after visiting with and leaving Billy Lightning's teacher at the Prairie Shores apt.

Curtis Zackery admitted that he and his co-def nephew decided to find someone or something to rob. Billy Lightning testified while in the building he and Curtis. Z. helped a woman (Victim Mrs. Francis Cantrell) carry some packages into her apt. They forced their way into the apt. and the mayhem began. Zackery and Lightning demanded money and commenced to beat Mrs. Cantrell. Sometime later Mr. Benjamin Cantrell knocks on the door, they let him in and commence to fight with him and continue to beat Mrs.

Contrell as well. Zackery admits to beating the Cantrell husband with a large frying pan and stabbing both victims with a folding knife they found in the apartment. The apt. was ransacked, the Cantrell's Buick was taken, found later burned and without tires.

- Both victims were found in the bedroom, both with multiple stab wounds and Mr. Cantrell badly beaten about the face and head. Mrs. Cantrell was found nude on her bed with Mr. Cantrell on the floor fully clothed.
- Two days later the bodies were discovered by the Building property manager when the Cantrell's failed to report for work (Mr. C was the building engineer and Mrs. C was the building clerk).
- Curtis Zackery related that he was arrested approx. 2-3 weeks after the event.
- He believes Lightning gave him up, eventually he pled guilty to the murders. Lightning went to trial and was found guilty. **Lightning Paroled June 2007**

History: 1974 1 yr. Supv. UYW; 1975 1 yr. Prob. Battery

Adjustment: At Dixon for the past 15 years. Mr. Zackery has had a progressive adjustment, has had a series of responsible assignments and currently works as an Eye Glasses Technician at Dixon.

Past Classes and certifications:

Certified in CPR, classes in Welding, Graphic Layout, Anger management, Finance, parenting, 96 hour Lifestyle Redirection. Received his GED in 1996, an AA 2006.

Tickets:

- April 2014 Minor: Failure to report, Med. Line, claims he was locked out the med line, received verbal rep.
- May 2014 Minor: Too many cassettes, 15 day commissary
- Jan. 2009 Major: Misuse of prop. = 30 days commissary (major)
- May 28 2010 Major: Contraband/unauth. Property (bleach, medication, lamp) 15 days commissary and job change).
- May 2010 Major: Unauth. Movement (southside of yard), 15 days yard

In our 2007 interview Mr. Zackery appeared remorseful, expressed his remorse that extended for clearly many years. He pled guilty. In 2014 he again took

ownership of the events and damaging behaviors which caused the death of the Cantrells. There wasn't too much more to weed out w/re to how he felt about the murders. He feels appropriately bad, shamed. In this area he is quite appropriate. Inmate Zackery's daughters, family, his friends like Mr. Gaskins and Mr. Boyd, and IDOC staff all speak highly of Curtis Zackery. All sing his praises, his helping tools, his wanting to help others (Social Work), his investment in the educational realm. Very strong in this area.

Mr. Gaskins and Mr. Boyd believe St. Leonard's is a perfect fit for Mr. Z. they related that if paroled CZ would spend 6 months at St. L. and one year at St. Andrews Court, could possibly work at Gracie's Café at St. Leonard's. Victor Gaskins, a former inmate, was a cellmate of CZ.

The tickets: some would consider his quality of tickets as nickel and dime events. They may be nuisance type infractions that could easily have been avoided but were not. When contrasted to all of the positive work he has done, all the support that he has maintained, the tickets loom larger because for me it spells a borderline type of character. It's almost like he is telling me "disregard the little stuff, it's really nothing when you consider how well and how far I've come". The problem for me is that I project repetitive behavior as an indicator of future adjustment. Nickel and diming will somehow get one in trouble if it continues as a pattern of how you conduct your business. His tickets (though appearing minor in scope) forced me re-assess given the very serious and damaging nature of the identified crime.

Member Tyler noted the petitioner received two minor tickets this year. Yes, and his last major was in 2011.

Member Findley noted that Inmate Zackery will be no more prepared for parole in four years at his MSR than he is right now.

Member Blackman-Donovan stated the Board has quashed parole numerous times because an Inmate got a ticket.

Cook County Assistant State's Attorney Norton stated Inmate Zackery took a plea for a better deal. His fingerprints were at the scene and on the checkbook. He then took the victim's car. He knew the evidence against him and took the plea to get a lesser sentence.

The petitioner's attorney clarified his tickets.

All relevant factors were considered. To parole would deprecate the seriousness of the crime and promote disrespect for the law.

Motion to deny parole. SD – EG. Motion carries 11 – 3. Members Crigler, Findley and Tyler dissented.

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Inmate Name: Hubert Putney IDOC Number & Institution C70014

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Blackman-Donovan presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

Hubert Putney, C70014, was interviewed for parole consideration on May 13, 2014 at the Lawrence Correctional Center. Mr. Putney is serving a sentence of 40 to 80 years for Rape, 40 to 80 years for Deviate Sexual Assault, and 10 years for Aggravated Battery. These charges originated in Peoria County from incidents that occurred on June 5, 1977, when Mr. Putney brutally raped his sister-in-law, and repeatedly hit her in the head with a hammer.

Prior to the instant offenses Mr. Putney was arrested for carrying a concealed weapon in 1965. Later that year he was sentenced to 3 5/8 years for burglary. He was paroled in November 1968. He was violated on that parole on July 16, 1969. At that time he was convicted of Rape and sentenced to 8 to 20 years, and a motor vehicle charge resulting in a sentence of 2 to 3 years. April 1975 he was paroled and subsequently violated on June 6, 1977 for the instant offense.

At the present hearing Mr. Putney waived his right to the interview. His present MSR is in 2016. In 2011, Mr. Putney indicated he did not wish to be considered for parole.

Board Members felt that due to the inmate's waiver of hearing, his past crimes, and his inability to conform to parole, that parole should be denied because reasonable doubt exists that he would conform to the conditions of parole and further, parole at this time could have adverse effect on institutional security. Also, to parole at this time would deprecate the seriousness of the offense and promote disrespect for the law.

Motion to deny parole. (ABD – DS). Motion carries 14 – 0.

Motion to continue to max out date. (ABD – EG). Motion carries 14 – 0.

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EN BANC MINUTE SHEET
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Inmate Name: Roland Thompson IDOC Number & Institution H35583

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Bowers presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

DOC Facility: Hill C.C.

Interview Date: May 7, 2014

Present at the Hearing: Inmate Thompson and Board Member Bowers

Inmate Thompson is a 59 yr old Afri/Amer serving a 25 to 75 yr sentence for a 1973 murder. He has served 23 years. He was not arrested and sentenced until 1991. He was 18 years old at the time of the murder. He is A grade, medium security, low escape. He has been at Hill C.C. since 2004. Prior to that he was at Menard for four years, and before that he was a Stateville. He is presently without a job; He has not had a job for the past four years. He states he is on the job waiting list. He was married, but divorced four years ago. He now refers to his ex-wife as his common-law wife. He stated he has ten children, all are adults. His parents are deceased.

His projected max discharge date is June 1, 2024.

Prior Votes: 2013 Madison & Shelton--2012 Madison, Tyler & Findley—2011 No votes—2010 Madison--2009 Madison—2008 Madison

Inmate Thompson stated he was in a car with four other males at the time of the incident. He stated he did not know the driver of the vehicle, nor the victim. He said the victim, who was seated in the back seat of the vehicle made a comment about Inmate Thompson's mother, calling her a white bitch. Inmate Thompson said his mother had been murdered some months prior to this incident. Inmate Thompson stated in a "spir of the moment" he reached under the front seat for a gun he stated belonged to the driver of the vehicle. He said he turned and shot the victim once in the face. Inmate Thompson said a couple of the other males in the car helped him remove the victim's body from the car and lay it up against a garage. The others in the car had later claimed that Thompson threatened them if they did not help him get rid of the body, and if they

told anyone what happened. Inmate Thompson denied making threats to any of the others who were in the car.

As mentioned, this murder occurred in February, 1973, but Inmate Thompson was not apprehended until January, 1991. He remained free for 18 years after the murder. His brother gave authorities information concerning the 1973 murder, implicating his brother, Roland, as the shooter. The information provided by Roland Thompson's brother subsequently led to Thompsons's arrest.

It should be noted that during the time Inmate Thompson was at-large and prior to his arrest for this case, he had multiple encounters with the law. In July, 1974 he was arrested for involuntary manslaughter, and a No Bill was returned by the grand jury. In Mason City, Iowa, he was arrested for a bar fight in 1975. In 1988 he plead guilty to robbery in Will County and received 30 mos. probation. He also had a Poss. of Control Sub in 1989 in Will County for which he received 18 mos. Probation to run concurrent with the robbery probation.

Inmate Thompson's institutional adjustment has been problematic. His most recent ticket was 1-13-14 for fighting with another inmate. He received one month segregation and demotion to C grade for one month. This incident occurred since his last En Banc hearing in June of 2013. He also had a major ticket in November of 2012 for assaulting another inmate, for which he received 3 months segregation and three months C grade. Since February, 2001, Inmate Thompson has received ten major tickets and one minor ticket. The tickets involve fighting, intimidation/threats, contraband, disobeying a direct order and inmate assault. Inmate Thompson stated he realizes his record is not conducive to consideration for parole. He said he wants to improve his behavior. He has earned his GED and completed three college courses. However, he has not completed or participated in any further training or college courses since 2012.

If paroled, Inmate Thompson stated he would like to live with his common law ex-wife, Dyphene Bell in Calumet City. He has no present employment offers, but would apply for positions in industrial maintenance positions, but would also explore part-time positions including at his ex-wife's church as a custodian. There were no documents in the file supporting a host site for Inmate Thompson

Cook County Assistant State's Attorney Donna Norton stated the victim was 22 years old at the time of the murder and was shot in the face. They do not believe he would comply with the reasonable conditions of parole considering his institutional disciplinary record.

Member Bowers indicated that in interview with Inmate Thompson, they discussed at length his disciplinary issues. He stated he did not believe he could be considered for parole with the disciplinary problems he continues to encounter, to which Member Bowers agreed. Member Bowers urged Inmate Thompson to improve his disciplinary record in order that he could be considered a viable candidate for parole. To parole Inmate Thompson at this time would promote disrespect for the law.

Motion to deny parole. (EB – GT). Motion carries 14 – 0.

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Inmate Name: Jerico Smalley IDOC Number & Institution C63250

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Simmons presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

Jerico Smalley was interviewed by a member of the Prisoner Review Board for parole consideration. Factors considered include, but are not limited to; his testimony, a review of the file, parole plans, and institutional adjustment.

Inmate Smalley is serving 60-100 years for armed robbery, aggravated battery, and attempted murder. Facts of the crime indicated that he and co-defendant, Andrew Burdine, called for a cab to pick them up at 7019 S. Green St. Chicago Illinois. They order the driver to drive to an alley. He was then robbed of his money, stripped of his clothing and was hit in the face and knocked to the ground. He got up and as he walked down the alley, co-defendant Burdine shot him in the leg with a sawed- off shotgun. The victim almost died and his leg was amputated.

He has been confined at Tamms since 1998 and his adjustment has been problematic, with 42 majors, 1 minor. It is noted that Smalley, while confined at Pontiac in 1990, received an eight-year consecutive sentence for an aggravated battery on a correctional officer.

Inmate Smalley's parole plan is to live with his sister in Chicago Illinois.

Member Shelton noted that Inmate Smalley was evasive during the interview and did not want to give answers. He was trying to ask the questions. He said he didn't kill anyone. Member Simmons felt that Inmate Smalley is still a very dangerous person.

That Board indicated that parole would deprecate the seriousness of the offense and promote disrespect for the law. It was also noted that Inmate Smalley had been incarcerated and paroled prior to this offense.

Motion to deny parole. (WS – EB). Motion carries 14 – 0.

Motion for a three-year set. (ES – DS). Motion carries 14 – 0.

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Inmate Name: Terry Davis IDOC Number & Institution C60957

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Blackman-Donovan presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

Inmate Terry Davis was interviewed for parole consideration on May 28, 2014, at Pinckneyville Correctional Center. Present at the hearing was Board Member Angelia Blackman-Donovan, the inmate, Sheila Henderson, Doris Hines, and Curtis Henderson. The inmate is serving 50 to 150 years for murder and 15 - 45 years for armed robbery.

The facts of the instant offense are on December 28, 1974, Chicago Police responded to a call of a man shot in a grocery store on East 118th St., Chicago, Illinois. Police discovered the bound body of Chester Biernat in the dining room of his residence at the rear of his store. He had been shot one in the head. His mentally disabled sister, discovered hiding in a bedroom, had been beaten by the offenders. Inmate Davis was arrested later and confessed to the police and was convicted by a jury. He admitted during the hearing that he was responsible for the shooting of Mr. Biernat, but denied assaulting the sister.

Mr. Davis has been a difficult inmate throughout much of his 39 years of incarceration. However, his conduct has been improving, until a staff infraction in 2012 resulted in a disciplinary transfer from Illinois River to Pinckneyville. He has had no IDRs since 2012. Inmate Davis is strongly supported by his family members who attended the hearing in his behalf. They have offered housing and assistance with job searches.

The two cousins and an uncle of Inmate Davis were present at the hearing. They were very supportive. His uncle also served a substantial amount of time in DOC. Inmate Davis was very well spoken and seemed remorseful. Member Blackman-Donovan indicated to him that she would not be able to support his parole due to his recent disciplinary record. Inmate Davis stated he understood and wants to improve his behavior. She appreciates his honesty and his accepting responsibility, but he needs to stop getting tickets. If he does that, she would possibly support him in the future.

Member Johnson stated he took the protest for this case. The Cook County State's Attorney is opposed and they are requesting a three year set.

Cook County Assistant State's Attorney Donna Norton stated Inmate Davis is or was a high ranking Vice Lord. He was on probation at the time of this offense. The victim was 60 year old WWII veteran. His 69 year old sister was terribly beaten. They are opposed and ask for an extended set.

The Prisoner Review Board expressed the opinion that parole would deprecate the seriousness of the offense and promote disrespect for the law.

Motion to deny parole. (ABD – EG). Motion carries 14 – 0.

Motion for a three year set. (TJ – GT). Motion does not carry 6 – 8. Voting in favor of the motion were Members Bowers, Diaz, Gregg, Johnson, Simmons and Chairman Monreal. Members Blackman-Donovan, Crigler, Findley, Harris, Norton, Parrack, Shelton and Tyer dissented.

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Inmate Name: Jasper Glenn IDOC Number & Institution C66130

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Norton presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

A parole assessment interview was conducted with Jasper J. Glenn on May 20, 2014. Mr. Glenn was born on October 5, 1958, is currently fifty-five (55) years of age, and was a resident of the Big Muddy River Correctional Center on the date of the interview. According to the file, Mr. Glenn is serving a sentence of 100-150 years for the offense of Murder, 10 -25 years for offense of Armed Robbery and 3-9 years for the offense of Aggravated Battery (St. Clair County, IL. 75-CF-150). It would appear that the sentences of Mr. Glenn for the Armed Robbery and Aggravated Battery offenses are to run concurrent, but consecutive to the sentence of Mr. Glenn for the Murder conviction. Factors to be considered by the Board include, but are not limited to, testimony of the resident, a review of the file, the nature of the crimes and offenses, institutional adjustment and Parole plans.

The file and record would indicate that on or about February 13, 1975 Mr. Glenn and two (2) Co-defendants forced their way into the home and residence of an elderly couple, George Horvat and Laura Horvat, located in East St. Louis, IL for the purpose of committing an Armed Robbery. Mr. and Mrs. Horvat were present at their residence together with their son, Louis J. Horvat who was 35 years of age and subject to a mental disability. Mr. Horvat confronted the intruders and over the course of several hours all three (3) residents were beaten quite severely. Mr. Horvat died from his injuries a few days after the attack. Mrs. Horvat and her son also suffered severe injuries from this attack were hospitalized in critical condition and both suffered permanent physical disability. The file would indicate that Mrs. Horvat may have been the victim of a sexual assault by a rifle during the attack. During the course of the attack, the right ears of both Mr. and Mrs. Horvat were cut off. At the conclusion of the brutal attack, Mr. and Mrs. Horvat were both sprayed and their bodies were covered with gold metallic spray paint. At sentencing, the trial court stated that this crime was "senseless, savage and unusually cruel." The Appellate Court affirmed the conviction and sentence of the Defendant and stated that this crime was "particularly vicious and unprovoked attack".

Mr. Glenn did not dispute the facts of the case and expressed remorse for his participation in this crime. He stated that at the time of the offense he was under the influence of LSD and only sixteen (16) years of age.

The parole assessment as completed by the Illinois Department of Corrections would report that Mr. Glenn has had a less than satisfactory institutional adjustment. He has received 18 minor and 1 major Disciplinary Reports since his arrival at the Big Muddy River Correctional Facility on September 13, 2000. On February 23, 2014 Mr. Glenn received a major Disciplinary Report for Insolence and Disobeying a Direct Order which included a placement in segregation. On April 8, 2014 Mr. Glenn was issued a Disciplinary Report for Insolence, Abuse of Privileges and Disobeying a Direct Order. Mr. Glenn has not advanced his education past the 9th grade level, he does not have a current job assignment and he has not participated in other available programs. Mr. Glenn reported that his parents are deceased but he has living one brother and two sisters. Mr. Glenn further advised that his last visit was in 2008 with his aunts. Mr. Glenn reported that he does not have a parole plan but that if granted parole he would reside at a halfway house and seek a construction job. Mr. Glenn appeared to be in good health. Mr. Glenn was pleasant, polite and attentive during the interview.

The Board feels that a release at this time would deprecate the serious nature of this crime and offense and promote a lack of respect for the law.

Member Blackman-Donovan stated she grew up in St. Clair County and this case is still very familiar because of the savageness. The victims were tortured.

Motion to deny parole. (WN – EG). Motion carries 14 – 0.

Motion for a three-year set. (WN – GT). Motion carries 14 – 0.

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EN BANC MINUTE SHEET
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Inmate Name: Orville Miller IDOC Number & Institution C81751

The Illinois Prisoner Review Board met in open En Banc session at 319 E. Madison Street, Springfield, IL, on June 26, at the 8:00 a.m. session to discuss and deliberate parole eligibility for the following inmates:

Members present were: Chairman A. Monreal, A. Blackman-Donovan, E. Bowers, E. Crigler, S. Diaz, E. Gregg, C. Findley, V. Harris, T. Johnson, W. Norton, J. Parrack, D. Shelton, W. Simmons and G. Tyler.

Other(s) present: K. Knappmeyer, Recording Secretary

Summary of discussion for parole consideration: Member Blackman-Donovan presented a summary of the parole interview and a review of all file materials.

Orville Miller was interviewed on May 22, 2014, at the Menard Correctional Center. This is the third parole hearing held for Mr. Miller. He was sentenced to 100 to 200 years in 1978 for Murder, and 60 years, determinate sentence in 1979 for Attempt Murder, which was ordered to be served consecutive to the indeterminate sentence.

Briefly, the facts of the 1977 case, involve the murder of Tyrone Smith, who was killed by the inmate and co-defendants by shotgun and 9 mm handgun wounds. The inmate was identified by an eyewitness who testified at trial. The sister of the eyewitness was later murdered by fellow gang members, mistakenly believing her to be the witness to the murder. The inmate was sentenced to 100 to 200 years.

On April 8, 1975, the inmate, along with several other fellow gang members, shot Garfield Johnson repeatedly, leaving him for dead. He survived to testify against his assailants, but was left paralyzed by his injuries. The inmate was tried and convicted and sentenced to 60 years, determinate sentence, to be served consecutive to the 100 to 200 year Murder sentence. The 60 year sentence was entered in 1978.

Mr. Miller was in Tamms until its closure and has been in Menard since. He does not have a job assignment. He has received no IDRs since 2003. His MSR date is 2/1/2099. His parole plan is to live with his sister in Chicago. He is considered a gang leader and denies guilt.

Cook County Assistant State's Attorney Donna Norton stated Inmate Miller continues to deny gang activity. He continues to send and receive correspondence with "Stone Love".

Board Member stated that to grant parole at this time would deprecate the seriousness of the offense and promote disrespect for the law.

Motion to deny parole. (ABD – EB). Motion carries 14 – 0.

Motion for a five year set. (ABD – DS). Motion carries 14 – 0.

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