**BOARD OF PAROLE HEARINGS**
**Executive Board Meeting**
**December 22, 2020**

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**Meeting called to order at 10:03 a.m.**

**Roll Call:** Commissioners Dobbs, Cassady, Chappell, De la Torre, Grounds, Gutierrez, Long, Minor, San Juan, Schneider, Sharrieff, Sullivan, Taira and Thornton present. Commissioner Anderson absent.

Commissioner DOBBS stated that the majority of currently-appointed commissioners are present.

In compliance with Executive Order N-28-20, and to minimize the spread and mitigate the effects of COVID-19, the meeting was conducted by telephone.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner CHAPPELL moved to approve the consent calendar.
Commissioner CASSADY seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## REPORTS

**Report from Chief Counsel, Jessica Blonien**

BLONIEN summarized the decision in *Re: Canady*. She also discussed the draft regulations on the agenda. BLONIEN explained they will allow the Board to conduct some parole consideration hearings without a comprehensive risk assessment. The regulations are necessary because of workload issues and would be effective from January to July 202, if approved. BLONIEN summarized the regulations and invited written comments from stakeholders. The Board will consider approving the regulations at the January 2021 Executive Board Meeting. The Board is seeking the Office of Administrative Law's approval of emergency regulations, to be effective for hearings scheduled between April 2021 and June 2022.

**Report from Chief Deputy, Program Operations, Sandra Maciel**

The Board is working to make the January 2021 Executive Board Meeting accessible via videoconferencing through Microsoft Teams. There will be access instructions on the agenda for the meeting. Audio access will be available to persons who are unable to participate by video through Microsoft Teams.

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## EN BANC REFERRALS

Referral by the Governor pursuant to Penal Code section 4802 to review commutation application

**A. MARTINEZ, RUDY**
**F65030**

CONSUELO TORRES, JOSE QUINONES, FLORICALISO QUINONES, MARTHA TORRES, ROSA BARAJAS, ANDRES MARTINEZ, RICARDO BARRAJAS, GEORGINA ARAIZA, MARTIN LARA, ADELA BARAJAS and ALYSSA TORRES supported the application.

Referral by the Governor, pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1 and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2044, subdivision (b), to request review of a parole decision by the full Board.

**B. BICKNELL, HAROLD**
**B94523**

ANNA GRIEPSMA and BARBARA MISSEN supported the parole grant.

MARISOL MENDEZ, Monterey County District Attorney's Office, COLLEEN CALLAHAN, JANETTE BLAIR, JULIA BLAIR, ANITA SCOTT, MARLEEN BROOKS, WILLIAM WUNDERLICH, ALAN FREES, JUSTIN RIST and TERI MULLIGAN recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

**C. BRIMER, REBECCA**
**X16918**

PAUL BRIMER supported the parole grant.

**D. BROWN, CODY**
**AB2585**

LORI KELLEY, inmate's attorney, DEBORAH BROWN, KATIE BROWN BERMUDEZ, KELLY FLEMING and CHARLES SPENCE supported the parole grant.

ERICA MENDOZA read an opposition letter from JOSHUA SIEBERT. KAITLYN WOOD read opposition letters from DEBBIE SIEBERT and STEVEN SIEBERT.

**E. BUCCI, NICOLA**
**G49048**

LORI KELLEY, inmate's attorney, JULIE KANE, FRANK JERNIGAN and ANDREA BUCCI supported the parole grant.

LEO MANGODA, Solano County District Attorney's Office, and KENYA HUTCHINSON recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

**F. FLORES, MANUEL**
**E88442**

LAURA SHEPPARD, inmate's attorney, REBECCA EDWARDS, NICOLETTE FLORES, ANGELA SOLOMON, DEMETRIUS TRAYLOR, DONNA VALENZUELA, PETER FLORES, WILLIEMAY GARDNER and BAILEY COOK supported the parole grant.

PHYLLIS SHESS, San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office, recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

**G. HITE, WILLIAM**
**H92183**

KIRK ENDRES, inmate's attorney, supported the parole grant.

**H. JACKSON, ANTHONY**
**C16265**

DENIRA HARGROVE-BROWN, CARMON DOCKERY, TONISHA HARGROVE, MARIE DOCKERY and JANETTA Mc GENSY supported the parole grant.

**I. JENNINGS, PAUL**
**K55240**

LORI KELLEY, inmate's attorney, and VANESSA NELSON-SLOANE supported the parole grant.

**J. MEBANE, CHARLES**
**T94127**

PHYLLIS SHESS, San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office, recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

**K. MEZA, JOSE**
**C67220**

TODD EILERS, Fresno County District Attorney's Office, recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

**L. ROBERTS, WILLIE**
**H35968**
PHYLLIS SHESS, San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office, recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

**M. TAYLOR, LASHAWN**
**H14167**

CHANDRA TAYLOR-BRAXTON, RACHEL WALGON, GUNNAR JOHNSON, AMANDA BERGER and WILLIAM LAURELES supported the parole grant. MINA ROSSER read a support letter from DARRYL PUALLAS. BROOKE KOPPEL read a support letter from the inmate.

ALFREDO MEJIA, ELIZABETH HOLLINGSWORTH, VICTOR GORDO, YVONNE MEJIA, ANDREA MEJIA, JAIME MEJIA, SAMUEL MEJIA, TIFFANY MORGAN, MICHAEL PATRIS, ANGEL SOLIS, STEVE YAMARONE, JEFFREY TONG, DEBBIE LI, SHERI TONG, WAYNE LI, VERONICA MEJIA, ALLIE CHIU and STACY TONG recommended ordering a rescission hearing.

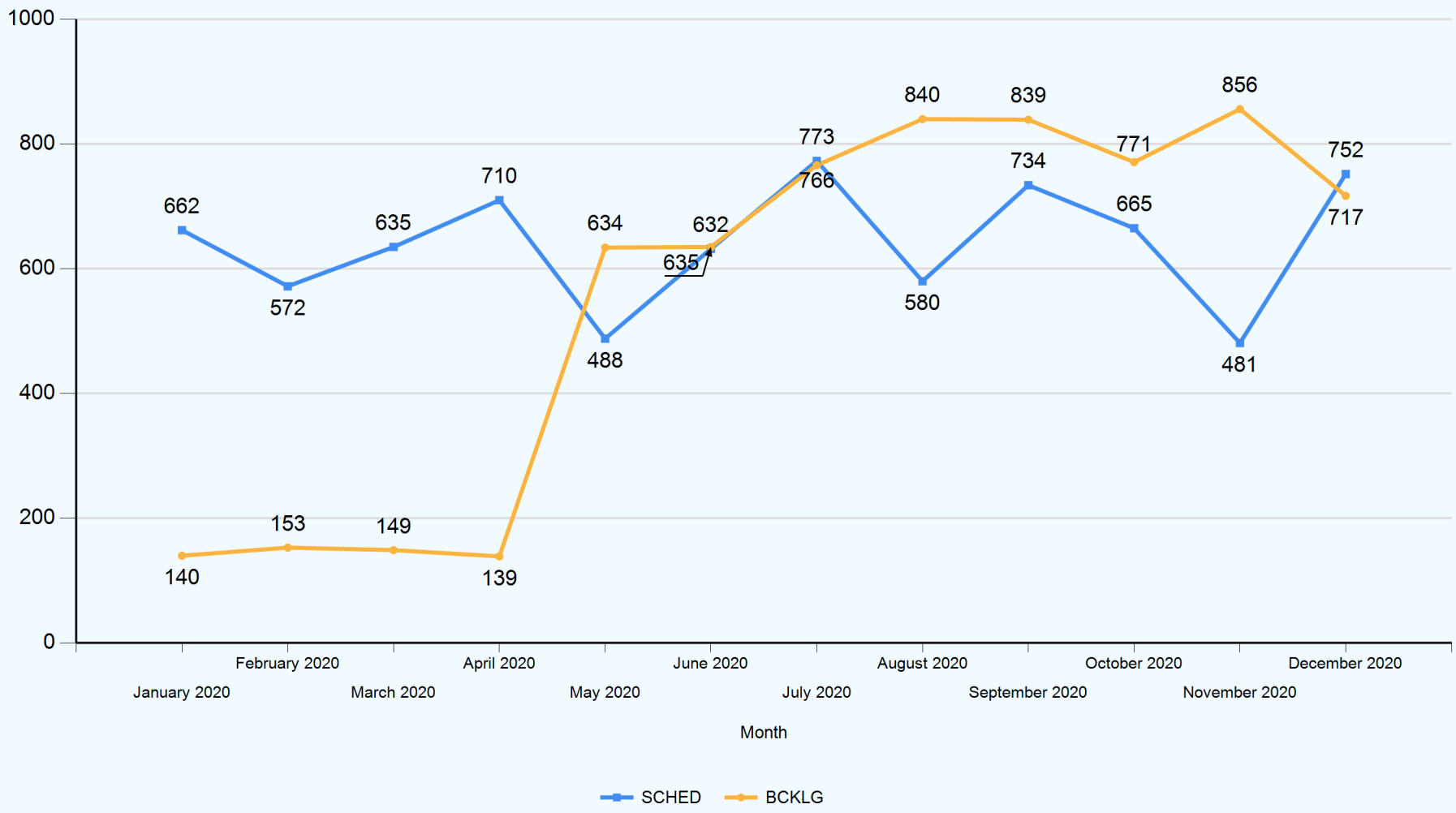
**OPEN COMMENTS**

VANESSA NELSON-SLOANE, Life Support Alliance, commended the Board for its response to the challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic. She stated that Life Support Alliance plans to extend its classes to workbooks.

KEITH WATTLEY, Uncommon Law, expressed concern about the proposed comprehensive risk assessment regulations. He submitted that the regulations are unconstitutional.

ALFREDO MEJIA expressed concern about prosecution policy changes at the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

CHRISTINE WARD, I-Can, also expressed concern about prosecution policy changes at the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

**Meeting adjourned at 02:58 p.m.**

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# Scheduled and Backlog Hearings Report
# Penal Code Section 3041(d)
# January, 2021