



En Banc Decisions
BOARD OF PAROLE HEARINGS

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

WRIGHT, JEFFREY (F91691)

Sentencing Court: Riverside

Tie Vote pursuant to Penal Code section 3041

Motion: The Board finds Jeffrey Wright poses an unreasonable risk of danger and denies parole for five years for the reasons stated by the panel member who voted to deny parole for five years at Jeffrey Wright's April 14, 2026 parole hearing, and the concerns raised in the comprehensive risk assessment, approved on February 3, 2026.

Motion by: Schneider

Second by: Barton

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

HILL, ANTHONY (V09119)

Sentencing Court: San Diego

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 4802 to review a commutation application

Motion: On the application of Anthony Hill for a commutation of sentence, the Board makes the recommendation required by Penal Code section 4813 for the Governor to grant a commutation of sentence.

Motion by: Cassady

Second by: Schneider

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

LEE, KENNY (P78435)

Sentencing Court: Los Angeles

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 4802 to review a commutation application

Motion: On the application of Kenny Lee for a commutation of sentence, the Board makes the recommendation required by Penal Code section 4813 for the Governor to grant a commutation of sentence.

Motion by: Kozel

Second by: Infante

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

NGUYEN, LY (J54675)

Sentencing Court: Orange

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 4802 to review a commutation application

Motion: On the application of Ly Nguyen for a commutation of sentence, the Board makes the recommendation required by Penal Code section 4813 for the Governor to grant a commutation of sentence.

Motion by: Muñiz

Second by: Cassady

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

SMITH, KENNETH (AK1589)

Sentencing Court: Los Angeles

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 4802 to review a commutation application

Motion: On the application of Kenneth Smith for a commutation of sentence, the Board makes the recommendation required by Penal Code section 4813 for the Governor to grant a commutation of sentence.

Motion by: Ruff

Second by: Schneider

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

TORRES, DANNY, JR. (P02328)

Sentencing Court: Monterey

Referred by the Chief Counsel under Penal Code 3041, subdivision (b)

Motion: Vacate the panel's February 6, 2026 decision to grant parole based on new confidential information dated April 27, 2026, and an error of fact concerning Torres's substance use history under Penal Code section 3041, subdivision (b) and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2042.

Motion by: Long

Second by: Muñiz

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

ROBINSON, TAMARA (X19148)

Sentencing Court: Fresno

Referred by the Chief Counsel under Penal Code 3041, subdivision (b)

Motion: Vacate the panel's January 30, 2026 decision to deny parole based on an error of law under Penal Code section 3041, subdivision (b) and section 3055, subdivision (c) and California Code of Regulations, title 15, section 2449.42, and schedule a new hearing on the next available calendar.

Motion by: Cassady

Second by: Barton

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Ruff, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

SORELL, KELLY (WF1134)

Sentencing Court: Los Angeles

Referred by the Chief Counsel under Penal Code 3041, subdivision (b) and Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Refer for a rescission hearing to consider whether the panel's December 12, 2025 grant of parole was improvident, based on new information regarding institutional misconduct that occurred on April 3, 2026, and new confidential information dated May 6, 2026.

Motion by: Minor

Second by: Weiss

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Long, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

CRUZ, DANIEL (AL2965)

Sentencing Court: Santa Barbara

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's January 15, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Long

Second by: Schneider

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

KELLY, JAMES (V61966)

Sentencing Court: Merced

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's January 9, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Thornton

Second by: Long

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

KIC, JANESEA (WG3965)

Sentencing Court: Santa Cruz

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's December 18, 2025 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Weiss

Second by: Barton

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

NAVARRETE, MICHAEL (BV6312)

Sentencing Court: El Dorado

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Refer for a rescission hearing to consider whether the panel's January 14, 2026 grant of parole was improvident, based on the concerns cited in the Governor's referral letter dated April 18, 2026.

Motion by: Cassady

Second by: Schneider

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

PAPPAS, JASON (F97623)

Sentencing Court: Riverside

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's December 12, 2025 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision. In addition, the special condition of parole related to driving is modified to: do not drive or operate a motor vehicle while on parole.

Motion by: Kozel

Second by: Cassady

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

PREASMYER, AMY (X29459)

Sentencing Court: Los Angeles

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's December 10, 2025 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Sargent-Burns

Second by: Cassady

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

SINGH, HARDEEP (F77205)

Sentencing Court: Santa Clara

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Refer for a rescission hearing to consider whether the panel's January 14, 2026 grant of parole was improvident, based on the concerns cited in the Governor's referral letter dated April 23, 2026.

Motion by: Barton

Second by: Long

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.

STRAWN, JAMES (AV2472)

Sentencing Court: Shasta

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Refer for a rescission hearing to consider whether the panel's January 29, 2026 grant of parole was improvident, based on the concerns cited in the Governor's referral letter dated April 23, 2026.

Motion by: Kozel

Second by: Barton

Not Present: Chappell, Dobbs, Garland, Ndudim, O'Meara, Purcell, Sharrieff, Sheffield, Taira

Abstained:

Decision: Motion approved by a majority of the commissioners present.