



En Banc Decisions
BOARD OF PAROLE HEARINGS

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

OCHOA, PACIANO (H03961)
Sentencing Court: Los Angeles
Tie Vote pursuant to Penal Code section 3041

Motion: The Board finds Paciano Ochoa does not pose an unreasonable risk of danger and grants parole for the reasons stated by the panel member who voted to grant parole at Paciano Ochoa's June 25, 2026 parole hearing.

Motion by: Minor

Second by: Infante

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, Ndudim, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

CARMONA, MARIO (D84212)
Sentencing Court: Los Angeles
Referred by the Chief Counsel under Penal Code 3041, subdivision (b)

Motion: Vacate the panel's May 14, 2026 decision to grant parole based on new confidential information dated July 2, 2026, and schedule a new hearing on the next available calendar.

Motion by: Schneider

Second by: Minor

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

CASTILLO, JONATHAN (BJ1773)

Sentencing Court: Los Angeles

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's March 11, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Sharrieff

Second by: Garland

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Dobbs, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

COPLEN, MICHELLE (X29962)

Sentencing Court: Riverside

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's March 10, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision. In addition, the Board imposes the following special condition of parole: do not drive or operate a motor vehicle while on parole.

Motion by: Dobbs

Second by: Schneider

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

DODSON, TYUN (K04510)

Sentencing Court: Los Angeles

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's April 8, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Ndudim

Second by: Sharrieff

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

GILBERT, JORGE (BM0213)

Sentencing Court: Riverside

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Refer for a rescission hearing to consider whether the panel's March 5, 2026 grant of parole was improvident, based on the concerns cited in the Governor's referral letter dated June 12, 2026.

Motion by: Schneider

Second by: Purcell

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

HERNANDEZ, ESTEBAN (G12779)

Sentencing Court: Kern

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's March 3, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Garland

Second by: Schneider

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

LANDEROS, MAURQUICE (AM9391)

Sentencing Court: San Bernardino

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's April 14, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Infante

Second by: Ndudim

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

LONCARIC, SEBASTIAN (BG1138)

Sentencing Court: Stanislaus

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's February 25, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Purcell

Second by: Infante

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

LOPEZ, MARIBEL (WA4439)

Sentencing Court: San Bernardino

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's February 27, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Sheffield

Second by: Sharrieff

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

NELSON, HAROLD (BR8996)

Sentencing Court: San Bernardino

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's March 5, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Minor

Second by: Infante

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Garland, Long, Muniz, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

RIOS, DAVID (BD9381)

Sentencing Court: Los Angeles

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's February 25, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Sharrieff

Second by: Ndudim

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Garland, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

ROSALES, ALEX (V76601)

Sentencing Court: Santa Clara

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Affirm the panel's February 10, 2026 decision to grant parole, as articulated in the panel's proposed decision.

Motion by: Garland

Second by: Schneider

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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

VALENCIA, JOSE (K88144)

Sentencing Court: Los Angeles

Governor-referred pursuant to Penal Code section 3041.1

Motion: Refer for a rescission hearing to consider whether the panel's March 10, 2026 grant of parole was improvident, based on the concerns cited in the Governor's referral letter dated June 12, 2026.

Motion by: Sargent-Burns

Second by: Schneider

Not Present: Barton, Chappell, Long, Muniz, O'Meara, Ruff, Taira, Thornton, Weiss

Abstained: Kusaj, Stern

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