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Board of Parole Hearings Attn: Non-Violent Parole Review Process BPH Correspondence P.O. Box 4036 Sacramento, CA 95812-4036

RE: Lee, Quentin Michael Ray, AS0028

Dear Board of Parole Hearings,

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Board regarding the administrative review of inmate Quentin Lee, AS0028, and his suitability for early release. Inmate Lee was sentenced to 11 years in prison on November 22, 2013, after being convicted of felony evading. Given the nature of the offense, his lengthy criminal history, and his poor programming while in state prison, the Yolo County District Attorney's Office opposes his early release as Inmate Lee poses an unreasonable risk of violence and/or excessive criminality to the public.

One year ago, Inmate Lee was denied an early parole because the factors aggravating his current risk of violence outweigh the factors mitigating his current risk of violence.

Current Yolo County Commitment Conduct Cases

The facts pertinent to the commitment offense are adequately stated in the denial letter dated August 8, 2018.

Criminal History

As noted in the previous denial, the inmate criminal history began in 2005. Since 2005, the inmate has been convicted of 9 felonies and 6 misdemeanors. Inmate Lee has been sentenced to prison on five separate occasions and has been returned to prison custody multiple times for parole violations.

Institutional Adjustment

Inmate Lee has not remained disciplinary free while serving his sentence and has been given 115's for fighting. He has engaged in some education and work programming but as of a year ago had little participating in rehabilitative or self-help programming.

Given that we do not have access to the inmate's C file, I am unaware of what rehabilitative or self-help programming he's engaged in during the past year. In order for the inmate to no longer be a risk of violence, he must take positive steps. According to the probation report prepared for the instant offense, the inmate has been using methamphetamine on a daily basis since he was 13 and has used heroin both in prison and out of prison. He acknowledged he has a problem and stated he was interested in drug abuse programming. Based upon last year's denial letter, it does not appear that he has engaged in the necessary programming to address his addiction issues.

Being able to address the issues that have brought him to prison now six times is critical to maintaining public safety. The probation report also noted that inmate Lee never worked more than 6 months at a time. That's not surprising given the amount of time has spent in custody and his drug abuse issues.

Conclusion

One year ago, this board found that the current offense, his prior criminal history and his institutional adjustment all aggravated his risk of violence. It is highly doubtful that in the last year the inmate has made the positive adjustments necessary to mitigate the risk of violence or excessive criminality to the public if release.

Thank you for your time in considering this matter.

Sincerely,

Assistant Chief Deputy District Attorney