

COUNTY OF YOLO <u>OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY</u> JEFF W. REISIG, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

August 28, 2018

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

RE: Adam George Martinez CDC # AR2305

Dear Board of Parole Hearings,

Thank you for the opportunity to once again address the Board regarding the administrative review of Adam Martinez, and his suitability for parole. Based upon his criminal history, the facts of his committing case, and the Inmate's continued involvement with criminal street gangs, the Inmate poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community and should not be considered for parole.

One year ago the Inmate was being considered for parole. At that time the Yolo County District Attorney's Office submitted a letter to the Board of Parole requesting that the Inmate not be granted parole. That letter outlined the Inmate's prior criminal history as well as the committing offense. A copy of that original letter is attached to this letter.

In the original letter submitted by the Yolo Count District Attorney's Office, it was pointed out that we do not have access to the inmate's state prison central file therefore, we could not comment on his progress while in state prison. The Yolo County District Attorney's Office based our original opposition to the Inmate's parole on his criminal record, his committing offense and his ties to the Broderick Boys Criminal Street Gang. It was our position that unless there was some sustained progress while in prison that would demonstrate that he is no longer a threat to society, that his parole should be denied.

The State Parole Board looks to certain factors in aggravation and mitigation when reviewing an inmate for parole. Though in the Inmate's committing offense he did not use a deadly weapon, he did possess multiple loaded firearms with methamphetamine and cocaine that were possessed for sale. He is also a member of the Broderick Boys Criminal Street gang. The facts of his committing offense and his criminal history will never change. What has changed is that we are now aware of

what he has done while incarcerated. According to the Nonviolent Decision Form dated October 3, 2017, the Inmate had participated in STG activities and his institutional record showed that the Inmate was non-compliant with institutional rules.

As when the Yolo County District Attorney's Office first argued, the only way that the Inmate should be considered for parole would have been if he had demonstrated a significant change, it is clear that he has not demonstrated a change that would show that he is no longer a danger to society. He has shown the opposite in that he has not severed his gang ties.

Based on the Inmate's prior history, commitment offense that involved several loaded firearms and crimes committed for the benefit of a criminal street gang, as well as the Inmate's behavior while incarcerated, the Inmate should not be granted parole.

Sincerely,

Deputy District Attorney

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COUNTY OF YOLO <u>OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY</u> JEFF W. REISIG, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

August 17, 2017

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

RE: Adam George Martinez CDC # AR2305

Dear Board of Parole Hearings,

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Board regarding the administrative review of inmate, and his suitability for parole. Based upon his criminal history and the facts of his recent cases, the Inmate poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community and should not be considered for parole.

Yolo County case 13-826

On August 16, 2013, the Inmate was sentenced to serve 15 years and 8 months in state prison after he entered pleas to a violation of Health and Safety Code section 11351 with enhancements pursuant to Penal Code Sections 12022(c) and 186.22(b)(1), and Penal Code Section 30605(a) with an enhancement pursuant to Penal Code Section 186.22(b)(1).

The committing offenses stemmed from a search warrant that was served at the Inmate's residence. During the search officers located a Commando Arms Mark 45 carbine assault weapon, a loaded .223 Remington semi-automatic rifle, a loaded semi-automatic .9mm pistol, a loaded Ruger P85 .9mm semi automatic pistol, 2 high capacity rifle magazines, additional .9mm ammunition, pepper spray, 2 working scales used to weigh controlled substances, approximately 12 grams of methamphetamine, approximately 11.5 grams of cocaine HCL, grams of methamphetamine, separated into two bags, ballistic body armor and gang indicia.

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At the time of his arrest the Inmate had a "Mongolian" haircut which is known to be a style of haircut worn by Norteno gang members. The Inmate also had a large tattoo of "BRODERICK" on his stomach. The Broderick Boys are a documented subset of the Norteno Criminal Street Gang that operates in West Sacramento. During a Mirandized interview of the Inmate, he admitted to being present at a recent gang shooting. When asked if he was afraid that someone would possibly shoot at his house he replied "Not with all of those guns" referring to the guns that were located during the search warrant. It is worth noting that 2 of the loaded handguns were located hidden in the Inmate's bed.

The inmate has been contacted on numerous occasions with documented members of the Broderick Boy Criminal Street Gang and was validated as an active participant in the Broderick Boy Criminal Street Gang by an Intelligence Officer employed by the West Sacramento Police Department. At the time of the committing offense the Inmate was on felony probation for a firearms related offense.

In 2005, while the Inmate was a juvenile, he suffered a juvenile adjudication for possessing metal knuckles while at school. In 2009, the Inmate was convicted of violating Penal Code Section 466 and in 2010, he was convicted of violating Penal Code Section 148. In December 2011, the Inmate was convicted of a felony violation of Penal Code Section 12025. The committing offense occurred on February 27, 2013.

While the Inmate was awaiting the outcome of this case in the Yolo County Jail, he suffered one disciplinary write up when correctional officers saw the Inmate run from one housing section to another housing section which is a rules violation.

We are not able to comment on Inmate Martinez' conduct while he has been incarcerated in state prison as we currently are not granted access to the inmate's state prison central file. We have no current information about whether or not he has continued to associate with gang members while in prison or if he has been involved in any acts of violence while incarcerated. As of today's date the Inmate has served approximately 4 years of his 15 year, 8 month sentence.

Although the Inmate's committing offense is for possessory crimes, both controlled substances possessed for sale while armed, possession of weapons including an assault weapon, and gang allegations, he still poses a clear and unreasonable risk of violence to the community if released. It is easy to see how gang members that possess firearms are dangerous. From the Inmate's own statement it is clear that he possessed the firearms, including an assault weapon, high capacity magazines and body armor, for the purpose of protecting himself against gang members. The West Sacramento Police Department Intelligence Officer that validated Inmate Martinez as an active participant in the Broderick Boys Criminal Street Gang also included in his report that drug sales and weapons possession were two of the primary criminal activities of the Broderick Boy Criminal Street Gang. Gang members gain respect through fear and intimidation and firearms, especially assault weapons, add to the fear and intimidation that gang members can instill. Gang members have to be ready at all times to carry out criminal

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acts for their gang and Inmate Martinez was well stocked with firearms to answer that call and to protect himself from rival gang members.

Absent a display of sustained progress while in prison and demonstration to the board that he is not a threat to society, the inmate should not be granted paroled.

Thank you for your time in considering this matter.

Sincerely,

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