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SUMMARY

Experienced Vice Chair bringing 23 years of Corrections experience working with inmates, victims, attorneys, Judges, probation officers, Court Staff, community members, treatment providers, and various other agencies to ensure public safety and rehabilitation of the offender, as well meeting our mission statement.

EXPERIENCE

Alaska Board Of Parole, Vice Chair

State of Alaska | Fairbanks, AK | March 2011 - Current

Determine if, when and under what circumstances the best interest of society will be served by allowing an offender to serve a portion of his/her sentence in the community under supervision and conditions of parole. These decisions are based on interviews with the inmate and victims, as well as a full review of the inmate's criminal history and personal history.

Set conditions of release and respond to violations of post-release supervision, to include revocation of parole if warranted.

Probation Officer II

State of Alaska | Fairbanks, AK | October 2007 - March 2011

Institutional probation work varies based on the needs/requirements of each offender. This includes release planning, risk needs assessments, program involvement, and placement at various facilities.

Routinely prepared reports for consideration for early release on discretionary parole, to include an extensive review of an inmate's criminal history, institution history, program involvement, verification of release plan, assessment of the inmate's criminogenic needs and risk level if released into the community. This process also included contacting victims, defense attorneys, district attorneys and judges to obtain their comments.

While working as an Institutional Probation Officer, I was assigned to the treatment unit and oversaw inmate's involvement in the substance abuse treatment program we offered and worked with inmate's on individual treatment release planning once completed.

Probation Officer II

State of Alaska | Fairbanks, AK | October 1999 - September 2007

As a Field Probation Officer, I served in a law enforcement capacity and assisted in fair administration of justice, promoted community safety, conducted objective investigations, interacted with outside agencies and community members, and prepared reports to present to the Court and the Parole Board.

During my time time as a Field Probation Officer, I specialized in the supervision of sex offenders, to include co-facilitating sex offender treatment groups and coordinating care between other agencies and the sex offender treatment counselor. I attended many specialized trainings for supervising sex offenders, as well as being trained in electronic device searches for illegal pornography.

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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Bachelor of Arts

Criminal Justice
University of Alaska Fairbanks,
Fairbanks, AK
May 1999

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Social Work
University of Alaska Fairbanks,
Fairbanks, AK
May 1999