

PAROLE PROGRESS REPORT

NAME: Walker, Scott, A.

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OFFENDER NO.: 12060

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a) MITIGATING FACTORS:

Strong support of family upon release
Exceptional institutional program achievement expected to significantly reduce the likelihood of recidivism

b) AGGRAVATING FACTORS:

Substantial negative impact on the victims' families
Magnitude of the offense

2) FACTORS SUPPORTING PAROLE:

Good family with resources who will support him upon his release.
Good work record and programming that better prepares him for release.

3) FACTORS AGAINST PAROLE:

Although Prisoner Walker has participated in numerous programs during his incarceration he has not yet participated in substance abuse treatment which has been an underlying issue with his problems during his years of incarceration.
Substantial negative impact on the victims' families

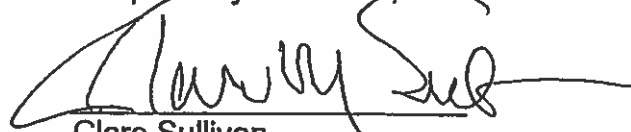
4) POTENTIAL PROBLEM AREAS IF PAROLED:

Prisoner Walker has spent nearly 32 years incarcerated; the rigors of daily life and the transition will result in a significant shock to him even with the best preparation. Without a gradual transition to society via an encompassing reentry program and solid release plan he will encounter great difficulties in adapting to a new life outside the structure of prison.

G. **RECOMMENDATION**

Parole is only recommended upon the successful completion of a substance abuse evaluation and following all recommendations; further he should participate in an intensive pre-release program that will best prepare him for the transition to society. Should he be considered for parole he should be released to transitional housing that is programmed for long term offenders reintegration to society.

Respectfully submitted,



Clare Sullivan
Probation Officer II

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8/29/2012

Alaska Board of Parole
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Re: Scottie Walker, #12060

Dear Board Members,

I am Dennis Perry, Mental Health Clinician III at Spring Creek Correctional Center in Seward, Alaska. I am the lead clinician for this facility, with the primary responsibility of establishing and managing Echo Mod, the chronic, sub-acute mental health unit for the Department of Corrections. I was asked by Laura Brooks several years ago to establish Echo Mod as a treatment unit, similar, perhaps, to a psychiatric facility for incarcerated individuals.

In the course of establishing the unit, we became aware of the need to address the issue of weight gain associated with the side effects commonly caused by psychotropic medications. In doing so, it was necessary to develop a recreation program that was exclusive to Echo, as the makeup of that population necessitates that they be separated from the rest of the general prison population. We house many very low-functioning individuals, and to accomplish our goals, I sought the help of other inmates from the general population who could assist me in this task. I was referred to Scott Walker by other staff members, including every Shift Sergeant, the Superintendant, and Assistant Superintendant.

Our goal was to create a recreational staff, lead by myself, with the task of establishing criteria I wanted for this staff to display in their engagement with the Echo population. Among these was knowledge of physical education, awareness of temperament for self and mentally ill populations, and the ability to encourage and foster an atmosphere of fair play and personal and appropriate motivation.

Mr. Walker (Scottie) has exceeded my expectations in this task. As we accept volunteers for these positions, it is necessary that we have someone who is also knowledgeable of the characteristics of the general population, to assist us to be able to screen appropriate individuals. I was very concerned about this in the beginning of the program, being very sensitive that we not allow the Echo population to be tacitly victimized by those who would seek gain at their expense, a much too common mode of behavior in prison. To my delight, and with increasing trust, I have gradually given the task of conducting these screenings to Scottie, as he has been so effective at honoring them criteria. He has established a behavioral standard, which includes consideration of disciplinary history and recent behavioral issues that would affect one's interaction with the Echo population.

In addition, and to my increased satisfaction, he has demonstrated a surprising ability to work with the mentally ill. He has developed a yoga class which he conducts in Echo

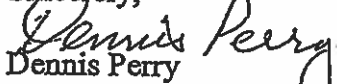
Mod several days a week, and it has contributed tremendously to maintaining relaxation and stress reduction in the unit. He now screens all of the "assistants" prior to bringing them to my attention, and this has allowed me to address other aspects of the program. I have become so confident in his ability that I have relied on him to run the program when I am not there, which he has done with great success. The mentally ill inmates rely on him and trust him almost universally, a condition which has enabled the program to develop in other ways, as it does not need to be "micro-managed" by me.

I would add one more item to what I have already expressed. I engage, physically, in the Echo Program with these same mentally ill inmates, and have the consistent opportunity to work side by side with Scottie. I, personally, observe him in the midst of a competitive game, such as basketball, to exemplify the very things I have strived for. He demonstrates sportsmanship, does not "swear" in frustration, nor does he allow his "staff" to do so, and he personifies the qualities I (we) are trying to foster for rehabilitative purposes. I have the highest regard and trust in and for Scottie, and am confident in his ability to succeed at never returning to a place like Spring Creek if he were provided a parole opportunity.

We, of the mental health staff here at Spring Creek, continually observe individuals and their character, which is influenced a great deal by the supportive systems to which they are exposed. We are also "snoopy" and seek to understand individuals in the context of these systems. We have observed with Scottie, that he appears to have the elements in his support system that would mitigate the risks of future conflicts that would result in a return to this environment. Also, as we observe these character issues, we look for consistency in behavior, especially in an environment that, often, seeks to sabotage or destroy character qualities. What we have observed in Scottie, is that he does, indeed, exhibit consistent character and demonstrates such in his daily interactions.

In addition to my responsibilities at Spring Creek, I am the owner of two businesses that deal with the general public. When we hire individuals to work for us, we are very sensitive to character issues that would be a detriment to our success, and present a risk to our customers. Even though I am aware of Mr. Walker's prison record, I would not have difficulty employing him, in principle, in one of my businesses (aside from the ethical issues apparent as a state employee). I believe the elements exist for him that would produce a successful outcome in the public.

Sincerely,


Dennis Perry

Mental Health Clinician III

Spring Creek Correctional Center
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Spring Creek Education Department



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July 31, 2012

TO: Alaska Department of Corrections Parole Board

RE: Parole Consideration for Mr. Scott A. Walker (#12060)

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

As an Education Coordinator at Spring Creek Correctional Center since January 2007, I write to you in support of the parole of Mr. Scott A. Walker (#12060).

Mr. Walker returned to Spring Creek shortly after I began working here. Within a short period of time, Mr. Walker had registered in both the U.S. Department of Labor, Cook Any Industry, Apprenticeship Program and in the UAA CIOS computer courses.

During the course of his apprenticeship, and in the years following, Mr. Walker excelled in both his coursework and in the on-the-job training components of the program. Mr. Walker served as a journeyman to the newer apprentices while he was still employed in the APS Kitchen, and he still assists apprentices with their coursework, voluntarily, as needed.

Mr. Walker completed many of the CIOS (Computer Information & Office Systems) courses which are offered for credit through the University of Alaska Anchorage's Tech Prep Program. As with the USDOL Apprenticeship Program, Mr. Walker excelled in his coursework and voluntarily helped others when they struggled with the courses.

This pattern of genuine interest in learning, while intrinsically valuing a job well done, and helping others is a natural pattern I have observed in Mr. Walker for the past 5 ½ years. Mr. Walker uses his organizational skills to the benefit of many groups and individuals within Spring Creek. Mr. Walker has organized study groups in a variety of other classes that he has been involved with, he has helped the prison clubs to organize and order the food supplies for their annual banquets, he continues to encourage other inmates to pursue educational programs, and he assists those who need tutoring. When Mr. Walker notices something that may function better with an idea he has, he not only makes a positive suggestion, but does not hesitate to lend a hand in the improvement process. These natural abilities of teamwork, organization, and leadership have made Mr. Walker a valued inmate tutor employee of the SCCC Education Department for the past 12 months.

Those who volunteer their time and make contributions to a community (in prison or out,) help to make that community a better place through their efforts. Mr. Walker has regularly created a variety of woodworking pieces which have been donated to benefit fundraising efforts in the community of Seward, which I appreciate as a community member.

I could provide several other examples of what I consider to be traits which make a responsible member of any family and community that I have observed in Mr. Walker over the years. These traits have remained consistent and have been demonstrated in many varying ways. It is my opinion that Mr. Walker will become a productive member of society who is very unlikely to recidivate and return to prison. For these reasons, I would recommend considering Mr. Scott A. Walker for parole.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kirstie L. Willean".

Kirstie L. Willean

cc. Probation Officer II, Clare Sullivan; Mr. Scott A. Walker (#12060)

NOTICE OF BOARD ACTION

Alaska Board of Parole



RE: Walker, Scott #12060

Confined at: SCCC

THE FOLLOWING ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF PAROLE:

1. ☐ Parole Granted effective _____ subject to any preconditions established by the Board, and as soon thereafter as verified by the Parole Officer of the Department of Corrections. Parole may be rescinded for disciplinary action, furlough violations, or other good cause outlined in the Parole Board regulations.

2. ☐ Parole granted effective _____ subject to any preconditions established by the Board, and as soon thereafter as approval is received from the Interstate Compact authorities of the receiving state. Parole may be rescinded for disciplinary action, furlough violations, or other good cause outlined in the Parole Board regulations.

3. ☐ Parole granted to the _____ Detainer Only. Parole may be rescinded for disciplinary action, furlough violations, or other good cause outlined in the Parole Board regulations.

4. ☒ Case Continued to the Spring 2022 board meeting when the Parole Board will again review your case.

5. ☐ Parole Denied with no provision for further review – serve the remainder of the sentence.

6. ☐ Parole Rescinded because of disciplinary action, furlough violations, or other reasons as set forth in Article 9 of the Parole Board regulations.

7. ☐ Guilty of parole violation -- issue Letter of Warning.

8. ☐ Discretionary Parole Revoked.

9. ☐ Mandatory Parole Revoked.

10. ☐ Discretionary Re-Parole Revoked.

11. ☐ Mandatory Re-Parole Revoked.

12. ☐ Release from custody pending the final revocation hearing, subject to any special conditions imposed by the Board or the Parole Officer.

13. ☐ Parole/Mandatory parole violation warrant Withdrawn.

14. ☒ No action taken; previous order of Parole Board stands.

OTHER: Precondition: SATX, Victim Impact and Pre-release Program.
Strongly recommend psychological evaluation

Sept 10, 2012
Date

For the Alaska Board of Parole:

[Signature]
Parole Board Representative (signature & seal)

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September 11, 2012

WALKER, Scott #12060

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PRISONER REC'D COPY

Scott Walker
Prisoner Signature

LM
PO Initials

9-21-2012
Date

Dear Mr. Walker:

The Alaska Board of Parole met with you on September 10, 2012 at the Spring Creek Correctional Center to review your application for discretionary parole. You were present with your institutional probation officer, Clare Sullivan. The Board voted to continue your discretionary parole hearing until the Spring of 2022.

The Board recognizes you have made gains in your rehabilitation during your incarceration. However, the Board feels that you could benefit from formal programming to further your success. The Board would like you to complete substance abuse treatment, victim impact, and the pre-release program as preconditions to seeing the Board again. The Board strongly recommends that you obtain a psychological evaluation at your expense to help show that your release on parole will not pose a threat to public safety. This is a recommendation only and is not an order. Your failure to obtain this evaluation will not negatively effect your parole application. If you do obtain the psychological evaluation the board would suggest it be within one or two years of your upcoming hearing so the information will be as current as possible.

Addressing the concerns or preconditions of the Board simply affords you the opportunity for another hearing, and in no way guarantees your release on parole. The actual parole decision will be left to the discretion of the Board, after it considers all of the concerns or preconditions referenced.

When considering each case, the Board uses as its guidelines Section 33.16.090 and 33.16.100 of the Alaska Statutes and Title 22 Chapter 20, Article 4 of the Alaska Administrative Code. Each case is reviewed individually by the Board and its decisions are based upon the aforementioned factors, with appropriate weight being given to the respective factors.

I would refer you to the Board of Parole's regulation 22 AAC 20.175, relating to formal request for reconsideration of denial of parole. Be aware that any such request must relate to and state one or more of the reasons laid out in that regulation. Also, any formal request for reconsideration must be received in this office within 30 days after the date of this letter. If you have any further questions, please contact our office.

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Sincerely,

Carrie Belden
Executive Director

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CC: Clare Sullivan, Parole Officer;
Institutional file;
Parole file

Alaska Board of Parole
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REQUEST for RECONSIDERATION of PAROLE BOARD HEARING DECISION

Parolee Name: Scott A. Walker
(Printed Name)

DOB: 11/1/62

OBSCIS #: 12060

Requests for reconsideration of Parole Board hearing decisions must be mailed to the Alaska Board of Parole's administrative office (address above) within 15 days after receipt of the hearing decision letter.

Scott Walker
Inmate's Name
Sept. 10, 2012
Date of Hearing

Spring Creek
Institution
Continuance
Board's Decision

Indicate below, by checking the appropriate section, the basis for your request:

- A. ☒ The decision by the Board was not supported by the reasons or facts stated by the Board, and reconsideration of the case with the clarification or correction would likely lead to a different decision by the Board if reconsidered.
- B. ☐ The decision was based upon incorrect or faulty information that would likely lead to a different decision by the Board if reconsidered.
- C. ☐ The Board did not follow its prescribed procedures in making its decision and following the prescribed procedures would likely lead to a different decision by the Board if reconsidered.
- D. ☐ There was significant information not available to the applicant through no fault of his own at the time of the hearing that would likely lead to a different decision by the Board if reconsidered.

Facts relied upon for making this request for reconsideration (if more than one section is checked be sure your statement addresses the areas individually):

See Attached

Attach additional pages if necessary to adequately support your claim.

I certify that the contents of my statement is a full, true, and correct statement of the facts.

Scott Walker
Inmate's Signature

Oct. 19, 2012
Date

Reconsideration of Parole Board Summary
Scott A. walker #12060
Spring Creek Correctional Center

October 18, 2012

Dear Parole Board,

The preparation and process of my parole hearing on September 10, 2012 was an eye opener to more aspects of my crime. After serving 32 years and being the man I think I am; I am very humbled to understand the great depths that this process revealed in others and myself. I now fully realize that some of the wounds I caused will never heal; therefore, it is best that I parole out of state. (See Kim Kriekhaus's reconsideration letter concerning this issue)

The Parole Board's summary states preconditions of Substance Abuse Treatment, Victim Impact, Pre-release, and strongly recommends a psychological evaluation. I have already been placed on the list for LSAT, Victim Impact, and have attained an up-to-date psychological exam (See Attached). I will complete all of the above in under a year. Additionally, I will finish my college degree in approximately a year and a half.

The Parole Board's recommendations will be completed in less than two years; yet my case is continued for another eight years past the furthest parts of the recommendations.

I believe one of two things may have happened:

- 1) The Parole Board believes it will take me substantially more time to accomplish their preconditions/recomendations.
- 2) There was a major contributing factor or recommendation that was left out of the Parole Board's summary.

If #1 has transpired, then upon completion of all preconditions, I respectfully request a rehearing.

If #2 has transpired, I respectfully request a revised summary be issued that details the contributing factor(s) to account for the eight additional years past the Parole Board's current recommendations. Upon receipt of a revised summary; and if grounds still exist, a final request for reconsideration will be submitted.

Conclusion

I believe the totality of my accomplishments and the recommendations of the professionals that have assessed me over long periods of time accurately reflect the State of Alaska's accomplishment of rehabilitating me into a non-criminal member of society that is ready to be released on parole.

Thank You, for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Scott Walker

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NAME OF EVALUEE: SCOTT A. WALKER
DATE OF BIRTH: 05/01/1962
COURT REFERENCE NO: 3AN-81-3379CR
DATE OF EVALUATION: 10/15/2012

INTRODUCTION: Scott A. Walker is a 50-year-old Caucasian male who was referred for evaluation as part of his proceedings related to parole from the Department of Corrections of the State of Alaska. Mr. Walker has been incarcerated since June of 1981 on charges of kidnapping, burglary and theft. His first eligibility for parole is in February, 2014. He elected to meet the Parole Board this fall in anticipation of that date and they have had one parole hearing to date. Mr. Walker was denied parole and set for further hearings in 10 years or in 2022. Mr. Walker requested reconsideration. Psychological evaluation may be considered during the course of a reconsideration hearing and Mr. Walker requested this evaluation for that purpose.

REASONS FOR REFERRAL: As briefly described above, Mr. Scott A. Walker has been charged with two counts of kidnapping, two counts of theft in the second degree and one count of robbery. He was sentenced to 90 years in prison. As a result of this sentence, he is eligible for parole in February of 2014. Mr. Walker has not been considered for parole until this year, with his initial hearing on 09/10/2012. At that hearing, information was submitted to the Parole Board for consideration, to be discussed briefly below. Mr. Walker appeared, the District Attorney Office was represented and relatives of the victims of his offenses were present. Mr. Walker was denied parole at that time, to remain in custody for an additional 10 years prior to being considered for parole.

Mr. Walker's offenses involve the kidnapping of Mildred Walatka, 72 years of age, and her son, Herbert Oakley, 52 years of age. Mr. Walker was one of three accomplices who entered the Walatka-Oakley residence for the purposes of securing items to later sell. The victims were held at gunpoint, and when the items Mr. Walker and his associates were seeking were not found, the victims were taken to the bank where Mrs. Walatka withdrew money. Following that, the victims were driven to the valley, where they were killed.

Mr. Walker and his associates were apprehended several days later based on identification of one of them by the bank teller. Mr. Walker reports he was the first of them arrested and that information was gathered of a physical nature tying all the parties to the crime. Mr. Walker appears to have been initially charged with the murders of Mrs. Walatka and Mr. Oakley, but was convicted of the charges as described above, including kidnapping, robbery and theft.

As a result of the nature of Mr. Walker's offenses and his time incarcerated, a psychological evaluation is sought to determine his current psychiatric condition and his level of risk to the community if released.

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PARTY REQUESTING EVALUATION: This request was received from Mr. Walker's father, Mr. Harry Walker. While the client, Mr. Scott Walker, requested the evaluation, arrangements were made through his father. The Elder Mr. Walker requested that results of this evaluation be submitted to Mr. Walker's Institutional Parole Officer, Ms. Claire Sullivan, for inclusion in the packet of information to be submitted to the Parole Board for reconsideration.

BASIS OF EVALUATION: Mr. Walker was interviewed on 09/12/2012 at Spring Creek Correctional Center. He completed psychological testing, including the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory, Second Edition, and the Millon Clinical Multiaxial Inventory, Third Edition. His responses were compared with the general adult population, as well as with those incarcerated for criminal offenses.

A number of records were reviewed related to Mr. Walker's request for release. They are included in the Institutional Parole Board packet and include communications from Mr. Walker to the Parole Board, as well as the response of the Parole Board to Mr. Walker's request. In addition, there are statements by those supporting Mr. Walker's release, including his Institutional Parole Officer, the Educational Coordinator at Spring Creek Correctional Center and the Chief of Mental Health at Spring Creek Correctional Center. A number of Mr. Walker's family members and friends of the family made statements on his behalf. There are also a number of statements opposing Mr. Walker's release from members of the Wisdom, Walatka and Oakley families. Each of these letters, both positive and negative, were reviewed for the purposes of this evaluation.

Mr. Walker's institutional record was reviewed. This includes disciplinary infractions from the time of his incarceration, as well as his vocational history while incarcerated, completion of treatment programming and his educational record. A summary of Mr. Walker's medical care has been reviewed, as well as the schedule of his transportation between institutions. Ms. Sullivan, Mr. Walker's Parole Officer was interviewed briefly, as was Mr. Dennis Perry, Mental Health Clinician at Spring Creek Correctional Center.

Mr. Walker's original judgment was reviewed, as was information related to his appeal to the Alaska Court of Appeals.

INFORMED CONSENT: Mr. Walker was informed of the nature of the evaluation and its uses. He was informed that any information provided, including formal psychological evaluation and information gleaned from review of his history, might be included in the evaluation. He was cautioned that his participation was voluntary and that in consenting to participate, he would have no influence on the conclusions drawn from the evaluation nor would he have input prior to completion of the evaluation. Mr. Walker consented to the evaluation, acknowledging the procedures to be followed and delivery of the evaluation conclusions to Ms. Sullivan, his Institutional Parole Officer.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF CURRENT CONCERNS RELATING TO CUSTODY AND POSSIBLE RELEASE OF SCOTT WALKER: Scott Walker is currently a candidate for release as early as 02/2014. He had requested to meet with the Parole Board related to his possible release, and a hearing had been scheduled and was completed on 09/10/2012. Present at the hearing were

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members of the families of the victims, a representative of the District Attorney's Office, Mr. Walker's Institutional Parole Officer and Mr. Walker. The concerns of the families of Mr. Walker's victims are that he continues to be a danger if released to the public, and that the nature of his offenses and behavior prior to and since incarceration do not demonstrate that he will not be a danger to the public if released. Mr. Walker's position, as reflected in his statement to the Parole Board and as supported by staff at Spring Creek Correctional Center, is that his level of risk has diminished since his incarceration, primarily over the past several years. Mr. Walker cites his lack of violent disciplinary infractions over the last several years, his abstinence from substances of abuse for approximately the last seven years, and his participation in educational, treatment and recreational activities as evidence that his level of risk has diminished. Mr. Walker's position is that he may not be diagnosed with any psychiatric disorder or disorder of personality that would increase his level of risk.

Mr. Walker's psychological evaluation addresses each of these issues. Formal psychological evaluation was completed to assess his psychiatric status, and interviewing and review of his history was conducted to determine trends in his behavior, both positive and negative, since his incarceration. A psychiatric evaluation of Mr. Walker prior to his incarceration, while a teenager, was reviewed to determine his baseline level of performance at that time so that changes in his psychiatric status and personality functioning might be determined.

RELEVANT HISTORY: Scott Walker is a 50-year-old Caucasian male. His parents, Harry, who is now 81 years of age, and his mother, Phyllis, deceased, had three children. Scott is the oldest, at 50 years of age at present. He has two sisters, Kim, who is 48, and Wendy, who is 46. Mr. Walker reports that his parents had a generally happy marriage initially with deterioration in the relationship starting when he was approximately 7 or 8 years of age. They remained together "for the kids" until he was approximately 14 years of age when they divorced. Mr. Walker lived with his father following the divorce of his parents. He reports, however, that he continued to be involved with his mother to some degree, and his sisters lived both with his father and his mother off and on during the period following their divorce. Mr. Walker reports that discipline was accomplished generally through restrictions and grounding, and that as younger children, he and his sisters were subject to spanking, but he denies that they were ever victims of physical or sexual abuse. Mr. Walker reports that his parents were moderate social drinkers and denies ever having seen them intoxicated. He also denies any domestic violence between his parents. Mr. Walker does describe one incident in which he and his father had a physical fight related to his having eloped from home and having taken a bicycle that was not his. His father retrieved the bicycle and as a result of the argument that ensued, they had a physical fight. He reports that he was kicked out of his father's home as a result of this. Mr. Walker reports he lived with members of the victims' family for approximately eight months following that, and following that period of time, got an apartment and spent some period of time homeless.

Mr. Walker reports he dropped out of high school. He attended school here in Anchorage, including Scenic Park Elementary, Wendler Junior High and Bartlett High School. He reports one suspension during middle school as a result of fighting, and that he was suspended from Bartlett High School for possession of marijuana. He attended SAVE High School for a brief period of time, but dropped out. Mr. Walker reports that he received his GED following his arrest and incarceration.

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Mr. Walker reports he held a number of jobs prior to his arrest. These included jobs at various fast-food restaurants and the Young Adult Conservation Corps, and he worked both for his father in commercial fishing and as a general laborer. Mr. Walker was dismissed from his final employment at Tastee Freez as a result of theft of items. He was charged as a juvenile for this theft.

Mr. Walker acknowledges use of substances as a teenager. He reports his drug of choice was marijuana, but that he tried several other drugs as well. He reports using alcohol. His first use of marijuana, per his description, was at approximately 13 years of age, although he is unable to remember the exact date. He reports that during periods of heavy use, he smoked marijuana at least one time each day, but this was variable based on his ability to afford it. He reports having been involved in criminal activity, including burglary, with peers to secure money to support his use of marijuana. This was particularly true following being ejected from his father's home. Mr. Walker reports that he continued to use substances following his incarceration with his most recent use approximately seven years ago. He states that his substance use had decreased and he attributes this to the death of his mother in 2000. He reports that following that time, he began to make an effort to decrease his negative behavior and this included his use of substances. In his final year of substance use, which Mr. Walker can date specifically, he states he smoked marijuana. In the year prior to that, he acknowledges using cocaine one time and heroin one time. He reports no desire to continue either of those drugs and reports that his primary reason for using substances involved escape from his unhappy existence in the Department of Corrections. He reports no use of substances and no temptation to use them since that time, approximately 04/2006. He reports decreased enjoyment in intoxication over approximately five years prior to that, no cravings for use of substances and no desire to use them in the future.

Mr. Walker reports involvement in physical activity while in the custody of the Department of Corrections, including playing handball and lifting weights. He appears to be generally physically healthy, although he has been diagnosed with chronic back pain, which is treated with over-the-counter medication.

Mr. Walker has been involved in assisting others in athletic activities, including development of a physical activity program for mentally ill offenders in the Spring Creek Correctional Center and officiating activities related to sports, as well as coaching of inmates in team sports.

Mr. Walker's employment activities in the Department of Corrections have included a number of institutional jobs, including custodial, and working in the furniture shop, the wood shop and the kitchen. He has completed training as an assistant cook and continues to manage banquet activities in Spring Creek Correctional Center. Mr. Walker has completed computer training courses in Microsoft applications.

In terms of treatment activities, Mr. Walker has been involved in a 42-week treatment program addressing issues related to his incarceration, including criminal thinking and personality style. He was evaluated for specific treatment of criminal thinking errors and was deemed not to require such training.

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DOB: [REDACTED]

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LEGAL HISTORY: Mr. Walker is currently incarcerated for kidnapping, burglary and theft. He has a prior adjudication as a juvenile related to theft. He has not been charged with any offenses resulting in legal charges while incarcerated in the Department of Corrections.

HISTORY OF MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT: Mr. Walker has not received formal mental health treatment while in the Department of Corrections. He was evaluated psychiatrically prior to his incarceration, at approximately 15 years of age, by Royal Kiehl, M.D. He was not given a diagnosis at that time reflective of a severe psychiatric disorder and Mr. Walker has not received treatment through mental health while incarcerated in the Department of Corrections. He has not received medication related to any psychiatric condition. Mr. Walker completed the educational/group-oriented training, Commitment to Change, in 1997.

RELIGIOUS ORIENTATION: Mr. Walker states that he is not religiously affiliated at the current time. While he describes himself as a spiritual person in believing in God, he has not participated formally in any religious activities while in the Department of Corrections. He states he is comfortable discussing spiritual matters, however, and has suggested that he will attend religious services and seek a religiously-oriented transitional program, as it is likely to be involved with more consistency and honesty than might be found in other transitional facilities.

CURRENT OBSERVATIONS AND CLINICAL FINDINGS: Mr. Walker is a 50-year-old Caucasian male, seen in the attorney visiting area at Spring Creek Correctional Center. He was introduced to the evaluation situation by Claire Sullivan, his Institutional Parole Officer. Mr. Walker was given information related to the purpose and procedures of the evaluation and agreed to participate.

Mr. Walker was pleasant and cooperative with efforts to evaluate him throughout the evaluation. He was cautioned that any efforts at deception would be detected through means of both formal psychological evaluation, as well as comparison between his reports and his history. Examination of assessment procedures related to falsification of information, presenting himself in a better light than is warranted or outright malingering did not suggest that any of these processes took place. That is to say, Mr. Walker was seen to be straightforward about his reasons for incarceration, his difficulties while incarcerated and his behavior prior.

Mr. Walker denied any history of formal mental health related symptoms. He denied auditory or visual hallucinations, as might be found in a formal thought disorder, symptoms of depression that would result in the diagnosis of a clinically significant depression requiring treatment, and Mr. Walker denied any symptoms of elevated mood, as would be found in a manic disorder. Mr. Walker was straightforward and honest about the difficulties he experienced with members of his family, including his father.

Mr. Walker described the events related to his criminal offense in great detail. Other than difficulty remembering some specific timeframes, he described behavior that is entirely consistent with his judgment and with the statements of the prosecuting attorney and the victims' families. At no time during my evaluation did Mr. Walker blame his behavior and his incarceration on anyone but himself. He did, in fact, describe himself as "a coward" for not having aborted the behavior once

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started; he reported that he was in fear of his accomplices and acknowledged the possibility that he might have been at risk. Nonetheless, he was able to describe several places where he might, had he not been afraid, have been able to find alternative resolution. During the course of this, Mr. Walker described extreme symptoms of guilt and was tearful. He acknowledged "having betrayed" his family friends, and stated he is aware that he is "solely responsible for his own behavior" and that it will not be possible to make up for the losses he has caused both his family and the families of the victims.

Mr. Walker described in great detail his use of substances prior to incarceration. He acknowledged using substances and possession of them since incarceration. Mr. Walker presented part of his parole packet, which detailed his disciplinary infractions. He highlighted those where he received adjudication and discussed them in some detail. At no time did Mr. Walker make excuses for the behavior involved or blame others.

SUMMARY OF PSYCHOLOGICAL TEST RESULTS: Examination of Mr. Walker's psychological evaluation suggests that he may not be diagnosed with any clinically significant or severe psychiatric disorder. While he has had periods of despondency during the course of incarceration and has used substances sporadically through the years, these do not meet the criteria for diagnosis of clinically significant psychiatric or substance abuse disorders. Mr. Walker's responses on psychological evaluation do not suggest that he will be prone to a substance abuse problem in the future, independent of contextual factors. That is to say, Mr. Walker has responded in a manner that suggests he is at greatest risk when negatively influenced by others and in the context of others using substances. When not associating with those involved in substance abuse, Mr. Walker is not considered at significant risk of return to substance use. Mr. Walker has surrounded himself in the Department of Corrections with individuals who are "like-minded" and avoid use of substances and negative behavior. Unfortunately, he states that they are a minority.

Mr. Walker's responses suggest that he feels emotional discomfort very strongly and that he is likely to respond in a manner that may be seen as exceeding those experienced by other people. That is to say, Mr. Walker becomes sad easily, may become upset easily and expresses his determination to complete things or his anger in strong terms; however, Mr. Walker's profile does not suggest he is prone to impulsive physical violence at the current time. Measures included in his psychological evaluation are stable over long periods of time. While they change over the course of a person's adult life, they do not do so quickly. Mr. Walker is seen to have had a gradual transition in his personality functioning when compared to his initial psychiatric evaluation, such that he is less prone to violence, more prone to rational thought and behavior, and more accepting of responsibility for his behavior. Mr. Walker may not be diagnosed with any clinically significant disorder of personality at this time.

DIAGNOSTIC AND STATISTICAL MANUAL OF MENTAL DISORDERS, FOURTH EDITION, TEXT REVISION, DIAGNOSIS (DSM-IV-TR): Mr. Walker may not be diagnosed with any clinically significant or severe psychiatric disorder at this time. He may be described as having histrionic personality traits. He has a history of substance use, but does not meet the criteria for a current diagnosis of substance abuse disorder.

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RISK FACTORS: Should Mr. Walker be released to the community, there are several factors to improve his level of risk. Mr. Walker must remain abstinent from substances of abuse and in an environment where others are engaged in treatment and educational pursuit and not in criminal activity. Mr. Walker must not associate with those who are engaged in criminal thinking or in substance abuse.

Mr. Walker would benefit from regular psychotherapy. He has some challenges related to release from the Department of Correction after more than 30 years. He will have adjustment-related issues secondary to having lived in a structured environment in which he is not in control. Mr. Walker's personality is such that he thrives in a structured setting with a regular routine and this regimen should continue whether he is incarcerated or not. Mr. Walker should be gainfully employed and involved in activities that contribute to both his wellbeing and that of others.

Mr. Walker should be subject to regular monitoring for abuse of substances. While he is not considered at great risk for use of substances at this time, should he use them, his level of risk increases.

Finally, Mr. Walker should receive psychotherapy to assist him in continuing to develop insight into his behavior and his responses to others. He is likely to be in a less-controlled environment, both in terms of responses of others and his own decisions. In short, Mr. Walker will have a good deal of freedom, which he is not likely to be able to adjust to without some assistance.

Taken together, based on Mr. Walker's psychological evaluation, including formal psychological evaluation, consideration of his recent and remote history, and his pattern of behavioral improvement, he is not considered a high risk to commit further violence in the community.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS: Scott A. Walker is a 50-year-old male who is incarcerated in Spring Creek Correctional Center for kidnapping, theft and burglary. He has been sentenced to approximately 90 years in prison and is eligible for parole for the first time in February of 2013. Mr. Walker has a history of some disciplinary infractions and substance use while institutionalized. These have improved over the course of the last several years. Mr. Walker appears to have applied himself to the prospect of improving his approach to others and has sought education and employment while incarcerated. Mr. Walker has a strong family support system that is willing to assist him if released.


As a result of these factors and the fact that Mr. Walker may not be diagnosed with any clinically significant disorder of personality or psychiatric illness, he is not considered at risk for psychiatric deterioration if released. Mr. Walker has improved his behavior and attitude over the last several years while incarcerated, which lowers his level of risk to the community. Should he be released, measures should be put into place to assure his abstinence from substances and his continued adjustment to a life free of incarceration. Should he achieve this, Mr. Walker should be considered at low risk for recidivism or to return to incarceration.

If I may answer additional questions or be of further service to you or in Mr. Walker's care, please contact me.

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Respectfully,


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NOTICE OF BOARD ACTION

Alaska Board of Parole

Amended



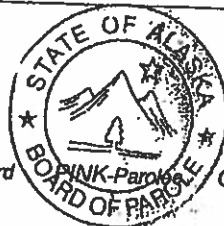
RE: Walker, Scott #12060

Confined at: BCCC

THE FOLLOWING ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF PAROLE:

1. ☐ Parole Granted effective _____ subject to any preconditions established by the Board, and as soon thereafter as verified by the Parole Officer of the Department of Corrections. Parole may be rescinded for disciplinary action, furlough violations, or other good cause outlined in the Parole Board regulations.
2. ☐ Parole granted effective _____ subject to any preconditions established by the Board, and as soon thereafter as approval is received from the Interstate Compact authorities of the receiving state. Parole may be rescinded for disciplinary action, furlough violations, or other good cause outlined in the Parole Board regulations.
3. ☐ Parole granted to the _____ Detainer Only. Parole may be rescinded for disciplinary action, furlough violations, or other good cause outlined in the Parole Board regulations.
4. ☒ Case Continued to the Spring 2020 board meeting when the Parole Board will again review your case.
5. ☐ Parole Denied with no provision for further review – serve the remainder of the sentence.
6. ☐ Parole Rescinded because of disciplinary action, furlough violations, or other reasons as set forth in Article 9 of the Parole Board regulations.
7. ☐ Guilty of parole violation -- issue Letter of Warning.
8. ☐ Discretionary Parole Revoked.
9. ☐ Mandatory Parole Revoked.
10. ☐ Discretionary Re-Parole Revoked.
11. ☐ Mandatory Re-Parole Revoked.
12. ☐ Release from custody pending the final revocation hearing, subject to any special conditions imposed by the Board or the Parole Officer.
13. ☐ Parole/Mandatory parole violation warrant Withdrawn.
14. ☐ No action taken; previous order of Parole Board stands.
15. ☒ OTHER: Preconditions: SATX, Victim Impact and Pre-release programming. Strongly recommend psychological evaluation.

Nov 15, 2012
Date



For the Alaska Board of Parole:

[Signature]
Parole Board Representative (signature & seal)

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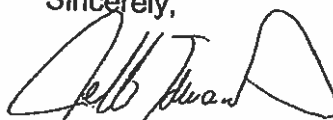
WALKER, Scott #12060
Goose Creek Correctional Center

Dear: Mr. Walker

The Board met in special session on November 15, 2012 to consider your request for reconsideration. The Board voted to partially grant your request.

The Board reviewed your entire file as well as your criminal history. It was the decision of the board to continue your hearing for eight (8) years as opposed to the original order for a ten (10) year continuance. Your eagerness to obtain the psychological evaluation following the discretionary hearing demonstrates a willingness to continue the long process of change. You still have a lot of work to do in preparation for the hearing and the board is hopeful you continue great institutional conduct.

Sincerely,



Jeff Edwards
Parole Board Administrator

Dear Parole Board,

December 9, 2012

I received your letter pertaining to my plea for reconsideration concerning the outcome of my Sept. 11, 2012 parole hearing. I want to emphatically acknowledge my gratitude for the reduction of my continuance. Additionally, I am glad the Parole Board recognizes my eagerness and willingness of continually trying to be a better person.

In the reconsideration letter the Parole Board states, "You still have a lot of work to do in preparation for the next scheduled hearing." In a conservative estimate I will complete all of the Parole Board's preconditions and recommendations, and attain my college degree in less than two years. I still do not have a clear understanding of what the Parole Board expects or requests of me for the remaining six years before my next scheduled hearing.

Clarification of the "work" the Parole Board would like for me to complete is the basis of why my reconsideration was originally submitted. Moreover, this is the basis of why I am now submitting this second letter of reconsideration.

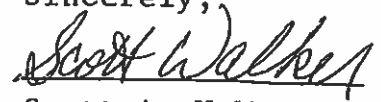
As you know I am now at Goose Creek. I am currently enrolled in Pre-release class, on the waiting lists for Victim Impact and LSAT classes, continuing my college degree program, and working as a full-time GED Math tutor.

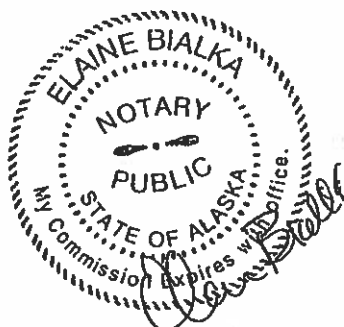
My family continues to give me unwavering support, with full confidence that I will sustain my positive development.

In consideration of the above, I humbly request the Parole Board entertains the idea of seeing me for a Special Review upon completion of their summary findings, and/or any other clarified recommendations that may be issued as a result of this final plea for reconsideration.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,


Scott A. Walker



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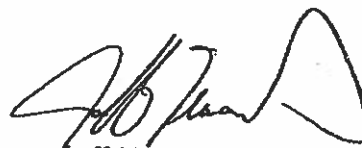
WALKER, Scott #12060
Goose Creek Correctional Center

Dear: Mr. Walker

On March 13, 2013, the Alaska Board of Parole met in special session to review your request for reconsideration. It was the Board's decision to DENY your request.

Your entire file as well as your criminal history was reviewed. The board read your request with a comparative analysis to your discretionary parole application and found no new information significant enough to alter their vote. In addition to considering your programming the board must also evaluate the severity of your crime and significant impact to the victims. Please continue on the path to complete the programming and furthering education courses. We look forward to seeing you at the next hearing.

Sincerely,



Jeff Edwards
Executive Director

Walker also surmised that there might be other reasons why he was not granted release on discretionary parole that were not included in the letter.

On November 26, 2012, Walker was notified that the Board reduced his continued hearing date from ten years to eight years. Walker again requested reconsideration. On March 13, 2013, reconsideration was denied. The letter denying reconsideration indicated in addition to counseling programs, the Board must evaluate the severity of the crime and the impact on the victims.

III. ISSUES:

Walker raises four issues in his PCR application.

1. The Board failed to provide a written decision that sufficiently details why his parole hearing was continued.
2. The Board failed to provide a written decision that sufficiently details how he is to spend the next 10 years in prison preparing for his next discretionary parole hearing.
3. The Board failed to provide a written decision that sufficiently details how he is to spend the next 8 years in prison preparing for his next discretionary parole hearing.
4. The Board failed to provide a written decision in sufficient detail that will allow for meaningful judicial review.

To these issues presented, the State agrees that the Board failed to provide a written decision that sufficiently details why his parole hearing was continued and the

Board failed to provide a written decision in sufficient detail that allows for meaningful judicial review.

IV. LAW

Alaska Statute 33.16.130 (c) states that when the Board denies a prisoner's application for discretionary parole, the Board "shall issue its decision in writing and provide the basis for" its denial. In *Frank v. State*, 97 P.3d 86 (Alaska App. 2004) the court addressed a similar issue. There, the court stated that AS 33.16.130 (c) requires the Board to "describe its reasons in sufficient detail that inmates can understand in what respects they have fallen short – so that inmates can guide their future behavior, and so that they can prepare more satisfactory future applications for parole. Addition, the Board must describe the reasons for its decision in sufficient detail to allow meaningful judicial review – so that reviewing courts can determine whether parole has been denied for an impermissible reason." *Id.* at 90.

Nothing in the statute or the *Frank* decision requires the Board to explain to Walker exactly what programming he must attend during the 8 years before his next discretionary board hearing. The Board has provided him with preconditional programming that he must complete before returning before the Board. However, part of Walker's programming will be for him to decide, with the assistance of his institutional probation officer how to make best use of his time and what programming might be of assistance to him in obtaining his release and in being successful on parole.

While a review of the parole packet and the questions and comments by the Board members during the parole hearing seem to make clear that they had some significant concerns regarding his release, Walker is correct that the letter written to him failed to articulate what reasons caused the Board to conclude that Walker's release on discretionary parole should not be granted at this time.

Because of the lack of specificity contained in the letters from the Board, the matter should be remanded back to the Parole Board to draft a letter that satisfies the requirements of AS 33.16.130 (c). In drafting and issuing such a letter the Board should consider factors contained in 22 AAC 20.165 (c) which states: "When considering an application for parole, the board will, in its discretion, consider any of the following factors; the board will determine the priority and weight to be given each factor when making a parole release decision. . . ." The code then goes on to state 23 factors which include:

(17) letters, petitions, or other information from persons, groups, or agencies recommending that the applicant be or not be paroled, and the basis for these recommendations;

...

(19) the relationship between the applicant's crime, length of sentence, background, and the board's handling of similarly-situated prisoners in the past;

(20) whether the applicant's release at this time is compatible with the welfare of society and whether it would depreciate the seriousness of the offense, considering the amount of time served by the applicant and the applicant's background;

(21) any information the board considers reliable regarding the facts of the crime;

(22) the board's perception of the applicant's risk to the community if released on parole; and

(23) any other factors that the board determines to be relevant in considering the prisoner's application.

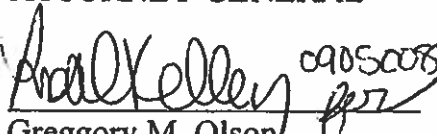
CONCLUSION

The court should find that the Board's letter lacked specificity as to its' reasons for not granting discretionary parole at this time. The court should "direct the Parole Board to issue a revised decision which adequately explains its reasons for denying" Walker's application for parole. *See Frank*, 97 P.3d at 93.

DATED November 15, 2013 at Anchorage, Alaska.

MICHAEL C. GERAGHTY
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT ANCHORAGE

SCOTT WALKER,)
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 Petitioner,)
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 vs.)
)
 STATE OF ALASKA,)
)
 Respondent.)

Case No. 3AN-13-08176 CI

ORDER

I certify this document and its attachments do not contain the (1) name of a victim of a sexual offense listed in AS 12.61.140 or (2) residence or business address or telephone number of a victim of or witness to any offense unless it is an address identifying the place of a crime or an address or telephone number in a transcript of a court proceeding and disclosure of the information was ordered by the court.

It is hereby ordered that the matter is remanded back to the Parole Board. The Parole Board shall issue a revised letter which adequately explains its' reasons for not granting Walker discretionary parole.

ENTERED at Anchorage, Alaska this December day of ~~November~~, 2013.

SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE
KEVIN SAXBY

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Jeff Edwards, Executive Director

Date: January 7th, 2014

WALKER, Scott #12060
Goose Creek Correctional Center

Dear: Mr. Walker

The Alaska Board of Parole, through the Attorney's Generals office, has received the Court decision from Judge Kevin Saxby signed December 31, 2013. The decision orders the Board to issue a revised written decision that complies with AS 33.16.130(c) which states "The board shall issue its decision in writing and provide the basis for a denial of discretionary parole. A copy of the decision shall be provided to the prisoner."

On September 10th, 2012 you appeared before the Board for your first discretionary parole hearing at Spring Creek Correctional Center. In advance of the hearing, all participating board members reviewed your complete file which included, but was not limited to, the details of your crimes and full report submitted by PO Sullivan. At the time of the hearing, there was a large in-person representation from the victim's family, the Office of Victims' Rights, and the District Attorney's office. Upon conclusion of the hearing, the Board ordered the case continued until spring of 2022 with preconditions to complete substance abuse treatment, victim impact and a pre-release program. The Board also strongly recommended you complete a psychological evaluation.

On November 15th, 2012 the Board convened to review your request for reconsideration of our original decision. The Board acknowledged your completion of the psychological evaluation and took two (2) years off the original order advancing your next hearing to spring of 2020.

When considering each case, the Board uses 33.16.100 of the Alaska Statutes and Title 22 Chapter 20, Article 4 of the Alaska Administrative Code. 22 AAC 20.165 outlines twenty-three (23) specific factors the Board may consider and determine the relevance to each factor considered. Each case is reviewed individually by the Board and its decisions are based upon the aforementioned factors, with appropriate weight being given to the respective factors considered.

In your case, the Board felt that you had positive factors that included institutional conduct, program involvement, and relationship to the staff at each facility you have been housed. Without these factors weighing in your favor, it is likely that the Board would have denied your application for early release.

The overwhelming factors the Board considered when deciding to continue your case was whether releasing you early would diminish the seriousness of the offense, and the significant impact unduly imposed on the victims and victims' family. As mentioned above, Board members review the details of

your offenses and are required to weigh the impact your actions imposed on others. Your case involved the death of an innocent vulnerable mother and son who do not get a second chance at life. The events that occurred on May 29th, 1981 have shattered the lives of many people as evidence by the testimony at your parole hearing. On the day the crimes occurred, you were allowed access in the residence by the soon to be victims because they knew and trusted you after having you over for dinner and social occasions. You and your accomplices clearly went to the residence to rob household items and kidnap the occupants for money. The victims were transported at gun point to a bank where \$600.00 was withdrawn. The victims were eventually driven to Buffalo Mine Road and murdered. Whether the double murder on Buffalo Mine Road was preplanned is unknown; however, your actions clearly resulted in the torment and eventual murder of two innocent people and a significant impact on their families which continues to this day.

At the time of the parole hearing, you asked the Board to release you 28 years early to live with your father who resides in close proximity to the victim's family who would most certainly see you on a regular basis. The Board expressed their deep concerns about your thought process behind this release plan and wondered if your intent was to further torment the victims' family. The board now acknowledges that you have since changed your release plan and encourages you to work with your Parole Officer to present a thorough plan in preparation for your next hearing. The Board has imposed a precondition to complete a Pre-release Planning course that should help you in this area.

Overall, the Board felt that releasing you almost three decades early would most certainly diminish the severity of the offenses you committed and minimize the impact imposed on the victims and victims' family. The Board believes that at least another six years of incarceration is appropriate given the seriousness of your offense and substantial impact your crime caused to the victims. Thus, the Board denies your request for discretionary parole at this time and will not accept another application until March of 2020.

Respectfully,



Jeff Edwards
Executive Director
Alaska Board of Parole

cc: , Parole Officer
INSTITUTION
Parole Board file



THE STATE
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March 20, 2020

To: Alaska Board of Parole

Thru: D. Banachowicz, Parole Officer III 

From: E. Gette-Shields, Parole Officer II

Subject: Parole Letter Update for WALKER, Scott #12060

Mr. Walker was last seen by the Alaska Board of Parole on September 10, 2012. It was the board's decision to continue the hearing to Spring 2022 with the preconditions he complete Substance Abuse Treatment, Victim Impact and Pre-Release Program. It was strongly recommended that he complete a psychological evaluation. On November 15, 2012, the Board met in special session to consider Mr. Walker's request for reconsideration where they partially granted his request allowing him to see the Board in eight years instead of ten with the same preconditions and recommendation. Since that hearing Mr. Walker completed LSSAT on January 6, 2014, Victim Impact on January 22, 2013 and Re-entry on January 17, 2013. In October 2012, Mr. Walker obtained a Psychological Evaluation.

Victim Comments:

On February 20, 2020, victim notices were mailed to E.O., E.W., L.W., K.B., L.M.H., J.H., S.H., C.H., K.J.O., M.P., R.P., D.H., J.W., W.W., S.Y., B.W., L.J.H., T.H., R.W., F.W., and K.O., advising them of their right to participate in the parole process. On March 16, 2020, this Officer contacted B.W. in response to an email that was sent. B.W. stated that there were many family members who were going to try and attend the hearing and submit letters. R.W., S.Y., M.W., S.H., C.H., T.H., E.O., and D.W. all submitted letters strongly recommending denial of Mr. Walker's release to discretionary parole. These letters are attached for the Parole Board's reference. At this time no other letters have been received. If they are received, they will be forwarded to the Parole Board.

Institutional Record:

Since his September 10, 2012 hearing, Inmate Walker has received one disciplinary report for possession of contraband in 2013. He has been employed the majority of the time since his last hearing and is currently employed at GCCC. Mr. Walker is currently classified as Medium Custody.

Program Involvement/Completions:

Mr. Walker has completed the following programming since his September 10, 2012 hearing: Seafood Safety Card, Re-Entry, Victim Impact, Thought Patterns, NCRC: Workkeys, LSSAT, Change Offender Behaviors, MH 12 Week Anger Management, 16 Week Getting it Right, 48 Week Change Behavior, Inside Out Dad, Applied Const Math, NCCER CORE, Bloodborne. Mr. Walker's OMP status is compliant.

Furlough/EM:

Mr. Walker will be eligible for furlough and EM consideration on April 28, 2039.

Evaluation:

Appearing before the Alaska Board of Parole is 57-year-old Scott Walker. Mr. Walker is serving an 89 year sentence for Burglary in the First Degree, two counts of Theft in the Second Degree, two counts of Kidnapping, and Robbery in the First Degree in case 3AN-81-3379CR. He is projected to release on April 28, 2041 and his max release date is June 10, 2070. At the time of this discretionary parole hearing he will have served 38 years and 9 months towards his sentence.

In May 1981, a 72-year-old woman and her 52-year-old son were taken from their home at gun point by three men, one of which, was identified as Mr. Walker. Mr. Walker drove his victims to a bank where they were forced to withdraw \$600.00 before driving them to a remote location, where his codefendants shot and killed them. Mr. Walker then assisted in hiding the bodies of the victims. Mr. Walker knew the victims, as they had been neighbors of his family, and he had stayed with the victims' family for approximately 6 months. Mr. Walker had previously been invited to many of their family functions including holidays. It was Mr. Walker's idea to take his codefendants to the victims' home with the intent of burglarizing it and because he was familiar to the victims they were invited into the home.

A Grand Jury indicted Mr. Walker on two counts of Murder as well as Burglary in the First Degree, two counts of Theft in the Second Degree, two counts of Kidnapping and Robbery in the First Degree. During Mr. Walker's testimony he minimized his role, indicating that he was unaware of his codefendant's intention to kill the victims; thus, he was acquitted of the Murder charges. However, at the time of sentencing, the trial judge stated, "I agree with...the State's position...[that] you are guilty of murder." Mr. Walker has appealed his case to the Alaska Court of Appeals and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. In his appeal Mr. Walker maintained that his total sentence of 89 years imprisonment for his conviction was excessive. Alaska Court of Appeals and the Ninth Circuit Court have affirmed his sentence. The Alaska Supreme Court has elected not to review Mr. Walker's case.

When granting discretionary parole, the Parole Board must consider several factors. In this case there are two factors that need serious consideration; will Mr. Walker's rehabilitation and reintegration into society be furthered by release on parole and if his release to parole diminishes the seriousness of the crime. It is commendable all that Mr. Walker has accomplished during his incarceration. He has remained write-up free for seven years and he has been employed the majority of that time. Mr. Walker has completed numerous programs including all the Alaska Board of Parole's preconditions and is considered OMP Compliant.

Mr. Walker has been incarcerated most of his adult life, making release planning difficult; thus, he has come up with three for the Board to consider. This Officer met with Mr. Walker and he agreed to move forward with the plan of living in Sutton with his sister Wendy Walker, her son and his father Harry Walker. His plan is to take over caregiver duties for his elderly father who is bedridden, and he believe his sister and father will financially compensate him with approximately \$30,000 a year. On March 10, 2020, this Officer attempted to contact Ms. Walker to verify the release plan, however the phone number provided by Mr. Walker was not in service. Mr. Walker also provided a cell phone number for Ms. Walker, which this Officer was able to leave a message on. On March 16, 2020, this Officer spoke with Ms. Walker who confirmed that Mr. Walker was welcome to live in the home and they will provide a sober support for him as well as room and board, \$3,000/month and transportation.

Mr. Walker is hopeful that Sutton is far enough away from the victims' family in Anchorage. This Officer spoke with Mr. Walker about this plan and there are some concerns. Mr. Walker stated that he does not have any Aftercare needs and that he would just surround himself with good people; his family being his main support. This Officer spoke to Mr. Walker about the potential culture shock and asked what his plan would be to address this, and he indicated that his sister would be there for him and he would seek out professional help if needed. The lack of community supports can be very concerning in a situation where the offender has been incarcerated for such a long time. During Mr. Walker's psychological evaluation in 2012, Dr. Lawrence Maile did not diagnose Mr. Walker with any "clinically significant disorder of personality or psychiatric illness", he did conclude however, that there were risks to Mr. Walker being released. Two factors identified were adjustment-related issues after spending more than 30 years incarcerated and the access to substances. To reduce these risk factors Dr. Maile suggested Mr. Walker have regular psychotherapy and be subjected to regular monitoring for substances. This Officer directed Mr. Walker to follow up with Education and seek out Reentry resources. Mr. Walker is working on gaining information about the Mat-Su Reentry Coalition.

During the last hearing the Parole Officer recommended that Mr. Walker should be released to a transitional housing that is programmed for long term offender's reintegration into society. This Officer sees the benefits of this; however, most transitional programs are located in Anchorage which would be near his victims' family. One of Mr. Walker's proposed release plans was to go to Fairbanks and there are transitional programs there, but this would take Mr. Walker away from his family supports and his desire to spend time with his father. It is understandable that Mr. Walker wants to spend time with his family especially with his elderly father. On the contrary, the family of his victims will never have the ability to spend time with their murdered loved ones.

Mr. Walker first appeared before the Alaska Board of Parole in September 2012 and there was a significant participation from the victims' family where they provided letters, photographs and attended the hearing in person. The crimes committed against this family has impacted multiple generations and a significant amount of the family members. Even before the 2012 Parole hearing took place Mr. Walker submitted an amendment to his release plan. His original plan was to release to senior Mr. Walker's home in Anchorage. Unfortunately, this home is located next door to the victim's family home. With this new discretionary parole application this concern has been revisited from the victims' family even though this is not Mr. Walker's plan. Currently, the response from the victims' family is that they still strongly object to Mr. Walker being granted discretionary parole.



State Of Alaska Department Of Corrections

OFFENDER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Offender	WALKER, SCOTT ANTHONY	Custody Level:	MEDIUM - FELON
Offender	12060	Field PO:	
Location:	GOOSE CREEK CC	Institution PO:	HOLTHAUS, GLORIA M
Legal status:	INMATE	Release Date:	04/28/2041
Status Date:	08/30/2001	Parole Eligibility	04/01/2020
Date of Birth:	05/01/1962	Next Hearing Date:	

Situation &

Education: - The offender does ☒ does NOT ☐ have a GED or high school diploma.

Substance abuse: - The offender does ☒ does NOT ☐ have a substance abuse problem.

Children: - The offender does ☐ does NOT ☒ have children under the age of 18.

Career Scope:

Offender

Offender Strengths:

Associated Assessment Type	Conducted By	On	Location	Score	Level
LSI-R: SV SCREENING VERSION	REHINES	10/06/16	GOOSE CREEK CC	2.00	Minimum
LSI-R LVL OF SERVICE INVENTORY	CMSULLIV	10/17/12	SPRING CREEK CC	14.00	Minimum

Referrals and

Referral Description

Mandated by

LSSAT ☐ Court ☐ Parole Board

Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments
Completed	01/06/2014	Completed	01/06/2014	GCCC

COMMITMENT TO CHANGE ☐ Court ☐ Parole Board

Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments
Completed	08/27/1997			SCCC MENTAL HEALTH

THOUGHT PATTERNS ☐ Court ☐ Parole Board

Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments
Completed	05/07/2013	Completed	05/07/2013	THE PACIFIC INSTITUT

COOK ANY INDUSTRY Apprenticeship ☐ Court ☐ Parole Board

Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments
Completed	10/01/2009	Completed	10/01/2009	US DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

HEALTHCARE PROVIDER ☐ Court ☐ Parole Board

Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments
Completed	05/12/2008	Completed		AM HEART ASSOC

BASIC EMERG MEDICAL TRNG ☐ Court ☐ Parole Board

Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments
Completed	05/28/2008	Completed		UAA FAIRBANKS, TANANA VALLEY 40 HRS

ReEntry ☐ Court ☐ Parole Board

Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments
Completed	01/17/2013	Completed	01/17/2013	GCCC CJVAGUE

NCRC: WORKKEYS ☐ Court ☐ Parole Board

Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments
Completed	06/26/2013	Completed		DOLWD; BHOWARD

VICTIM IMPACT					<input type="checkbox"/> Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Parole Board
Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments		
Completed	01/22/2013	Completed	01/22/2013	GCCC; CJVAGUE		
NCCER -Math, Site Safety, Core, Craft Skills					<input type="checkbox"/> Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Parole Board
Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments		
Completed	12/18/2018	Completed	12/18/2018	Completed NCCER classes at GCCC		
Changing Offender Behavior					<input type="checkbox"/> Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Parole Board
Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments		
Completed		Completed	07/10/2015			
48-week Offender					<input type="checkbox"/> Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Parole Board
Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments		
Completed		Completed	03/04/2016			
Getting it Right -16 weeks					<input type="checkbox"/> Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Parole Board
Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments		
Completed		Completed	03/04/2016			
SAMHA Anger Management					<input type="checkbox"/> Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Parole Board
Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments		
Completed	12/04/2015	Completed	12/04/2015			
Parenting					<input type="checkbox"/> Court	<input type="checkbox"/> Parole Board
Wait list	Date	Treatment	Date	Comments		
Completed		Completed	07/26/2018			

Action

No action items associated with this OMP

Details of Planned

 Type of ☐ Probation ☐ Mandatory Parole ☐ Disc. parole ☐ Modified Sex Offender Supervision (per AS)

Additional Referrals:

Physical Address: 11590 N WRIGHT WAY - SUTTON AK 99674

Mailing Address: 11590 N WRIGHT WAY - SUTTON AK 99674

Telephone Number(s):

Household Members:

Employer:

Community Outlook plans and dispositions to

- Housing: Live with sister Wendy Walker, her son and their father Harry Walker
- Positive Social: Family and friends
- Family Reunification: Sister, nephew and father
- Employment: Sister and father want to hire him as a caregiver for their father.
- Treatment Aftercare: None listed
- Education: Plans on continuing post-secondary education thru U of A.
- Parenting: None listed
- Finances: None listed
- Legal Obligations: None listed
- Transportation: Ms. Walker is willing to provide transportation
- Medical Care: None listed
- Other Areas: None listed

Clare M. Sullivan
P.O. Box 2089
Seward, Alaska 99664

Alaska Board of Parole
Attn: Director Jeffrey Edwards
550 West 7th Ave. Suite 1800
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

INMATE COPY

TO: Director Jeffrey Edwards
SUBJECT: Discretionary Parole Support for Scott Walker ACOMS #12060

9 July 2020

Dear Director Edwards and the Alaska Board of Parole:

I am writing this letter to you as a former Department of Corrections employee who served over 22 years with the Department. I have known Mr. Walker for a good part of my Corrections career; my observations and interaction with him began in December 1996 at Spring Creek Correctional Center. As a line officer, security sergeant and his institutional probation officer I had the opportunity to monitor his rehabilitative progress and his institutional history; I believe he has made the best use of his incarcerated time and is very much a better person for all his efforts.

Upon beginning my work as an officer at the facility I observed him to be a very positive and productive individual and committed to his efforts toward successfully living in the prison community, his rehabilitation and working toward his eventual release. He was conscientious in his daily work assignments whether in the Education Department, assisting in the Mental Health Module with the psychological counselors or in the Inmate Council (Prisoner Clubs). He was known to be very kind and helpful with offenders irrespective of location or their cognitive or psychological circumstances. Oftentimes, his approach to difficult or problematic situations resulted in deescalating a tense encounter or calming a frustrated prisoner who had difficulty managing a particular situation. Essentially Mr. Walker worked very well with staff and other prisoners as he genuinely cared for the people he encountered and lived around.

Over the many years of my association with Mr. Walker I had the opportunity to review and update his offender management plan (OMP). I understand at this point his OMP has been complete for several years, yet he continues to participate in pro-social activities and programming that benefit not only himself but the facility as well. His commitment and perseverance in participating in available programming for as many years as he has been incarcerated appears to have been accomplished at a level that fully meets or exceeds expectations.

While serving as an Institutional Probation Officer for nearly 10 years I prepared numerous discretionary parole packets for the Board's review and have a fairly good understanding of what the Board considers a positive risk for release on discretionary parole. Over the years I have recommended only a few prisoners whom I believed duly earned a positive recommendation; oftentimes the Board supported their release, and fortunately these offenders were successful under supervision. I believe Mr. Walker would also fit this type of offender who would be successful. Not only has he performed well for many years while in custody, he also has solid family and friends support and would have the same if granted parole. Mr. Walker has been incarcerated well over 35 years and clearly has spent his time productively, changing for the good and preparing for release.

All his success while in custody and potential for a positive release does not in any way mitigate the seriousness of his crime and the lasting effect on the victims' families, however it does provide favorable indicators for a positive risk assessment and success on discretionary parole if granted.

I understand this is a late submission as I have only recently been made aware of this hearing. If possible, please add this letter to the packet as my letter of support for a favorable review by the Alaska Board of Parole for Mr. Walker's placement on discretionary parole.

Sincerely,



Clare M. Sullivan

Cc:
Scott Walker ACOMS# 12060
GCCC Institutional Probation Officer Gette-Shields

Alaska Parole Board

March 18, 2020

INMATE COPY

To whom it may concern;

I am writing to you today in support of Mr. Scott Walker's application for Parole. I have known Mr. Walker for over 25 years. I first met him at SCC in 1991 where I started with the Department of Corrections, later at CIPT when he was there for medical needs, at Hudson Colorado where we housed our long term felons and lastly at GCC. In all of these situations and over the course of his incarceration he has always presented himself as remorseful for what he did, pursued activities that were pro-social and that benefited others, never complained of his circumstance and he always seemed to have a positive outlook and always wanting to better himself. He conducted himself appropriately in what most would consider a harsh environment. He has stayed out of trouble and I believe has only received a couple of mid-level disciplinary infractions over the past 30 yrs. He has worked hard to demonstrate that he would be a good risk for Parole and I believe he would do whatever he could to make things right for the victims of his crime. I believe he is truly and genuinely remorseful for what he did.

When looking at individuals for parole many do not have the type of record that would make them a good risk, Mr. Walker does.

I worked for the Dept of Corrections in the capacity of a Mental Health Clinician II and III, as The Director of CIPT's Acute Care Psychiatric Unit, as the Deputy Director of Institutions and as Director. In those roles over the course of a 25 year career I have seen few individuals who I would support for Parole, Mr Walker is one of few.

Bryan Brandenburg, MS, LPC

Director North Star Hospital

To whom it may concern:

August 11, 2016

This letter is to provide endorsement for Scott Walker in his effort to obtain parole approval. In my capacity as a mental health clinician with the department, I have known Mr. Walker for approximately eight years. During this time, I have witnessed him assisting multiple mental health programs and also attending classes provided by mental health. I have also witnessed his interactions with staff and inmates through a variety of roles and situations. Mr. Walker has provided many examples of positive and prosocial behavior through the years I've known him and his involvement in various programs can be verified elsewhere and does not need itemizing here. I am generally very conservative when endorsing inmates for special consideration and, up until now, have never done so. However, I think there are times when it is important to do so and I believe that to be true in this case.

For as long as I've known Mr. Walker he has strived for self-improvement and, while this is common, he goes above most with well-rounded personal achievements. This is not what I would consider worthy of special consideration. What I've witnessed with Mr. Walker over the years and appears exceptional to me is his consistent involvement in helping others with self-improvement. When given the opportunity, Mr. Walker has been very active in helping other inmates identify, pursue and obtain self-improvement goals. When housed at SCCC he was instrumentally involved in helping staff develop and run a health and fitness program for seriously mentally ill offenders. At GCCC he assists the mental health department conduct an on-going yoga program and devotes much of his time tutoring GED students in general population. Again, the specific programs and activities can be verified elsewhere, I may not be aware of all involvement.

To list the specific activities, while important, is not what I wish to emphasize here. What I feel is important and where Mr. Walker excels is not a quantitative measure but a qualitative one. Even in the prison setting it is common to have exposure to those who engage in many altruistic activities but unfortunately much of the activities are clouded by self-serving motives. It is rarer to have exposure to individuals who genuinely and consistently appear to engage in these activities with truly altruistic motives. I believe Mr. Walker to be of the latter group. His helping attitude toward others is, in my opinion, initiated and guided simply by the desire to help others and the satisfaction derived from this. I have witnessed this again and again over time and it is the reason I am comfortable writing a letter of endorsement. Whether Mr. Walker obtains parole or not, I believe his altruistic make-up will create a net positive effect on those around him. The spirit of this belief is not to deny the seriousness of the crime but to move toward a broader realization of why we are here and doing what we do. When possible, effective rehabilitation plans include acceptance and the consideration of worthy character virtues. In my opinion, Mr. Walker's character and achievements provide as much as can be expected of anyone wishing to be deemed as going above the average measure of rehabilitation and readiness to contribute positively to society.

Sincerely,

John L. Sundeen MHCII



Goose Creek Correctional Center

To whom it may concern:

August 13th 2016

This letter is to share with the readers my experiences, as a Mental Health Clinician II, in working with Mr. Scott Walker. I have worked at Goose Creek Correctional approximately three years and during that time have worked with Mr. Walker in several capacities. He completed the 48 week offender program with exceptional participation, sincere dedication that reflected a great degree of insight and reflection. His level of participation far exceeded that of the other inmates.

As I continued to work with Mr. Walker, I found this level of commitment was the norm. In every endeavor Mr. Walker undertook, he has never wavered in his resolve to find ways to help others inmates who struggle to better themselves. Mr. Walker teaches math class daily to assist those trying to obtain their GED. He has consistently demonstrated a great degree of dedication and patience with many inmates that have learning difficulties.

Mr. Walker has organized activities and programs, inspiring other inmates to participate in healthy activities. These include physical sports, spiritual, educational and self-improvement activities. I have observed Mr. Walker on many occasions as he takes time to speak with other inmates who are struggling with anger, despair and depression. Mr. Walker strives to encourage, teach and guide others in learning to cope within this system and how to adapt better attitudes, habits, insight, behaviors and thinking patterns. Mr. Walker stands apart from other inmates. Despite the difficulties of incarceration, Mr. Walker has consistently pushed forward to better himself and his environment.

Mr. Walker has facilitated weekly Yoga groups and was solely instrumental in starting and maintaining this activity for the past two years. Throughout the time I have worked with Mr. Walker, I have had many conversations where his crime was discussed. Mr. Walker has always maintained his responsibility and remorse for the deaths of his neighbors and accepted his need for incarceration for these crimes. He has successfully endeavored to change and has demonstrated his ability to live a responsible, pro social lifestyle in many areas.

Because I believe that Mr. Walker has become a genuinely kind, caring individual who is not motivated by selfish motives, I can very comfortably endorse him in his effort to obtain parole approval. This is a case where rehabilitation within the system has clearly worked, and worked very well. Mr. Walker has pursued all avenues offered to improve himself and worked hard even outside of the programs. He has internalized the changes, curriculum, suggestions and guidance offered by the department as evidenced by his demeanor and behaviors over a number of years. Mr. Walker has strong supports in the community and I believe he would be a great asset in any community. It is my hope that Mr. Walker has the opportunity to contribute to society as he has done during his incarceration.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Scales MSW LCSW MHC II
Goose Creek Correctional Center



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June 13, 2017

SENATE PRESIDENT PETE KELLY

Scott Walker #12060
Goose Creek Correctional Center
P.O. Box 877790
Wasilla, AK 99687-7790

Dear Mr. Walker,

I appreciate you taking the time to share your experiences and thoughts on saving money during these challenging fiscal times.

The documents that you provided appear to display your remorse and dedication to becoming a healthy individual and contributing member of society. Your desire to help fellow inmates participate in healthy activities is admirable. I wish you the very best as the parole board continues to consider your release.

God bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pete Kelly". The signature is stylized and fluid, with the first name "Pete" and last name "Kelly" clearly visible.

Senator Pete Kelly



Alaska Board of Pardons & Parole

NOTICE OF BOARD ACTION

RE: WALKER, SCOTT ANTHONY

12060

HEARING TYPE: DISCRETIONARY

LOCATION: GOOSE CREEK CC

PAROLE OFFICER: E. GETTE-SHIELDS

ATTORNEY:

CASE NUMBER(S): 3AN-S81-03379CR

THE FOLLOWING ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF PAROLE:

Parole **DENIED** - serve the remainder of the sentence.

Other: May re-apply in 10 years.

If you were not granted parole you may ask the Board for reconsideration under the guides of 22 AAC 20.175. A request for reconsideration must be sent to the board office within 30 days after the date of the written notice denying parole. The reasons for the request must be included on the form along with all supporting information.

For the Alaska Board of Parole:

07/14/2020

Date

Molly Fortunato

Parole Board Representative (signature & seal)

FORTUNATO, MOLLY M



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August 3, 2020

WALKER, Scott #12060
Goose Creek Correctional Center
c/o PO Rodriguez

Dear Scott Walker,

The Alaska Board of Parole convened on July 14, 2020, to review your case for discretionary parole consideration. You were present before the Board via video conference from the Goose Creek Correctional Center with Institutional Parole Officer (IPO) Erin Gette-Shields. On that date the Board voted to deny your request for discretionary parole.

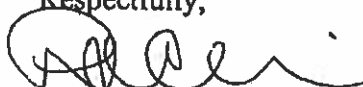
You have completed some additional programs and conducted yourself appropriately other than an incident report in 2013 for possession of contraband since your previous hearing. However, the Board cannot overlook the serious circumstances of your crime and your callous participation in the kidnapping, theft, and coldblooded execution of two innocent individuals who previously opened their home to you. No amount of success in custody can compensate for this. The Board does recognize that you have reached eligibility per statute to request early release to discretionary parole. However, eligibility does not mean you have the right to an early release from your sentence nor does it mean you are ready for release. You have served a substantial amount of time, but as the Board stated in your hearing it is very difficult to determine how much time is enough time for offenses such as yours. You received a lengthy sentence for your role in this offense and at this time the Board believes releasing you nearly twenty-one years early would diminish the seriousness of your crime. The many surviving victims in this case are adamantly opposed to your early release. It is amply evident based upon their testimony that your actions have caused widespread long-term emotional trauma for them that they are experiencing even years later. Additionally, the Board believes your release to the community would not further your rehabilitation. By your own account you have carved out a life for yourself in prison, you assist other inmates and strive to make your days fulfilling. Your deceased victims do not have this opportunity. Further, the public expects protection from individuals who have demonstrated themselves capable of actions such as yours. While you have done well more recently during your incarceration, your actions during your crime and the many disciplinary actions you received during the first part of your sentence lead the Board to believe you do represent a risk of harm to the community. Due to the aforementioned factors the Board chose to deny your request for discretionary parole.

When considering each case, the Board uses as its guidelines Section 33.16.090 and 33.16.100 of the Alaska Statutes and Title 22 Chapter 20, Article 4 of the Alaska Administrative Code. Each case is

reviewed individually by the Board and its decisions are based upon the aforementioned factors, with appropriate weight being given to the respective factors.

I would refer you to the Board of Parole's regulation 22 AAC 20.175, relating to formal request for reconsideration of denial of parole. Be aware that any such request must relate to and state one or more of the reasons laid out in that regulation. Also, any formal request for reconsideration must be received by this office within thirty (30) days after the date of this letter. If you have any further questions, please contact our office.

Respectfully,



Rachel Kosakowski
Parole Officer IV
Alaska Board of Parole

Received by (Please Print Clearly)

Date 8-3-20

x



Signature