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## MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE TEXAS BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES is to perform its duties as imposed by Article IV, Section 11, of the Texas Constitution and:

- Determine which prisoners are to be released on parole or discretionary mandatory supervision;
- Determine conditions of parole and mandatory supervision;
- Determine revocation of parole and mandatory supervision; and,
  - Recommend the resolution of clemency matters to the Governor.



## VISION STATEMENT

THE TEXAS BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES, guided by sound application of the discretionary authority vested by the Constitution of the State of Texas, shall:

- Render just determination in regard to parole release and revocations, thereby maximizing the restoration of human potential while restraining the growth of prison and jail populations;
- Impose reasonable and prudent conditions of release consistent with the goal of structured reintegration of the releasee into the community; and,
- Resolutely administer the clemency process with recommendation to the Governor fully commensurate with public safety and due consideration.



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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDING OFFICER



The Honorable Rick Perry  
Governor of Texas  
State Capitol, Room 28.1  
P. O. Box 12428  
Austin, Texas 78711

Members of the Texas Legislature  
State of Texas

Dear Governor Perry and Members of the Legislature:

On behalf of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, I am pleased to submit its annual report for the period of September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2009. This report is presented in accordance with Government Code, Chapter 508, Section 508.036.

The report reflects the Board's activities of the parole system in Texas. There were 76,607 parole considerations and 18,554 mandatory release considerations in fiscal year 2009. The Board considered 30,389 parole violation cases and 1,061 clemency cases.

The Board continues to find new ways to improve our operations and to cultivate cooperation with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice so we may better serve the citizens of the great state of Texas.

Sincerely,

Rissie Owens  
Presiding Officer

## LETTER FROM THE BOARD ADMINISTRATOR



Mrs. Rissie Owens, Presiding Officer  
Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles

Dear Mrs. Owens,

I am pleased to forward to you the Annual Report for fiscal year 2009.

This report demonstrates the Board's success in discharging its mission to render just decisions in parole release and revocation matters, impose reasonable conditions of administrative release, and administer the clemency process.

To meet its obligations to the citizens of Texas, the Board continually strives to refine all areas of operation. The Board implemented the new Supplemental DWI Risk Assessment Factors and Scale in January 2009 to reclassify DWI offenders. A request for proposal to contract a professional consultant to analyze the parole guidelines is currently in progress. All of these efforts will benefit the Board of Pardons and Paroles as it goes forward into the next fiscal year.

The parole guidelines statistics by the Board and Parole Commissioners have been removed from this report. An annual report of the Parole Guidelines will compliment this report in accordance with Government Code, Chapter 508, Section 508.1445. The Parole Guidelines report includes an explanation and history of the parole guidelines, comparisons of the recommended approval rates to the actual approval rates for individual parole panel members, and current actions by the board to improve the guidelines.

I want to take this opportunity to thank our talented and committed staff who have helped make this past fiscal year a success.

Sincerely,

Troy Fox  
Board Administrator

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# TEXAS BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES

The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles (the Board) is a constitutionally created agency responsible for: determining which eligible offenders are to be released on parole or certain offenders who are eligible for mandatory supervision; conditions of parole or mandatory supervision; the revocation of parole or mandatory supervision; and executive clemency recommendations to the Governor. The Board's enabling statute is located in Chapter 508 of the Texas Government Code. Article IV, Section 11 of the Texas Constitution created the Board of Pardons and Paroles.

The Board consists of seven members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Board Members hold office for staggered six-year terms; must be representative of the general public; and, must have resided in this state for the two years before appointment. The presiding officer reports directly to the Governor and serves as the administrative head of the agency.

BOARD MEMBERS	APPOINTED	TERM EXPIRES
Rissie Owens, Presiding Officer	02/02/2004 **	02/01/2015
Jose Aliseda*	02/02/2004	02/01/2009
Charles Aycock	03/18/2005	02/01/2011
Conrith Davis	04/07/2008	02/01/2013
Jackie DeNoyelles	03/18/2005	02/01/2011
Juanita Gonzalez	02/02/2004 **	02/01/2015
Thomas Leeper*	04/09/2009	02/01/2013
Barbara Lorraine*	07/07/2008	02/01/2013

\* Jose Aliseda served as a Board Member from September 1, 2008 through June 5, 2009.

\* Barbara Lorraine served as a Board Member from September 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009.

\* Thomas Leeper served as a Board Member from April 9, 2009 to August 31, 2009.

\*\* Prior Appointment date. Last appointment date was on February 12, 2009.



Jose Aliseda



Charles Aycock



Conrith Davis



Jackie DeNoyelles



Juanita Gonzalez



Barbara Lorraine



Thomas Leeper



Rissie Owens,  
Presiding Officer

# PAROLE COMMISSIONERS

Government Code 508 authorizes the Presiding Officer to hire, as state employees, Parole Commissioners to assist the Board with its release determinations, revocation and imposition of special conditions.



Thomas Fordyce



Pamela Freeman



Roy (Tony) Garcia



James Hensarling



Elvis Hightower



James (Paul) Kiel



Edgar Morales



James Poland



Lynn Ruzicka



Charles Shipman



Charles Speier



Howard Thrasher

PAROLE COMMISSIONERS	HIRE DATE
Thomas Fordyce	05/01/2005
Pamela Freeman	02/09/2004
Roy (Tony) Garcia	07/17/2006
James Hensarling	03/03/2008
Elvis Hightower	10/01/2005
James (Paul) Kiel	04/05/2004
Edgar Morales	09/11/2006
James Poland	04/12/2004
Lynn Ruzicka	02/15/2004
Charles Shipman	02/15/2004
Charles Speier	04/05/2004
Howard Thrasher	05/01/2005

## BOARD OFFICE LOCATIONS

The Board has offices in Amarillo, Angleton, Gatesville, Huntsville, Palestine, and San Antonio. Each Board office consists of at least one Board Member, two Parole Commissioners, Board Assistants, and a Panel Analyst. The Presiding Officer conducts Board business in both the Huntsville and Austin offices.

Rissie Owens, Presiding Officer

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Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles  
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Austin, Texas 78711-3401

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Austin, Texas 78701  
Phone: (512) 936-6351  
Fax: (512) 463-8120

Amarillo Board Office  
5809 S. Western, Suite 237  
Amarillo, TX 79110  
Phone: (806) 359-7656

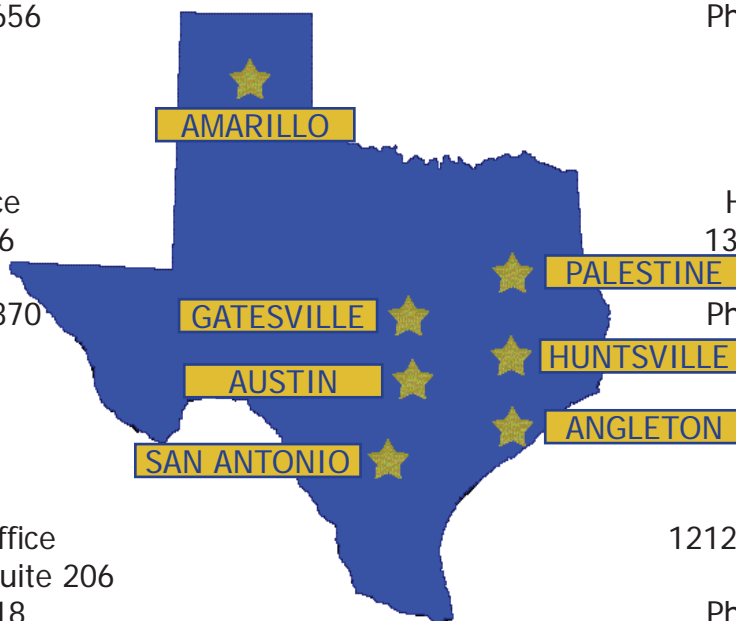
Palestine Board Office  
207 E. Reagan St.  
Palestine, TX 75801  
Phone: (903) 723-1068

Gatesville Board Office  
3408 S. State Hwy. 36  
Gatesville, TX 76528  
Phone: (254) 865-8870

Huntsville Board Office  
1300 11th St., Suite 520  
Huntsville, TX 77342  
Phone: (936) 291-2161

San Antonio Board Office  
2902 NE Loop 410, Suite 206  
San Antonio, TX 78218  
Phone: (210) 564-3721

Angleton Board Office  
1212 N. Velasco, Suite 201  
Angleton, TX 77515  
Phone: (979) 849-3031



# BOARD MEMBER AND PAROLE COMMISSIONER RESPONSIBILITIES

The difference between Board Members and Parole Commissioners as defined by the Texas Constitution and statute are: Board Members are vested with the sole responsibility of promulgating policy relative to parole and mandatory supervision considerations; vote cases requiring the full Board vote; and, vote clemency matters.

## Board Member Responsibilities

- Vote on matters requiring an extraordinary vote of the full membership.
- Determine which inmates are to be released on parole or mandatory supervision.
- Determine conditions of parole.
- Modify and withdraw conditions of parole and mandatory supervision.
- Determine the continuation, modification, or revocation of parole or mandatory supervision violators.
- Issue subpoenas.
- Conduct inmate interviews.
- Conduct victim interviews.
- Conduct interviews with other interested parties, such as family members or attorneys.
- Make recommendations to the Governor on matters of clemency.
- Adopt rules which govern the decision-making processes of the Board.
- Prepare information of public interest describing the functions of the Board and make the information available to the public and appropriate state agencies.
- Comply with federal and state laws related to program and facility accessibility.
- Develop for Board Members and Parole Commissioners a comprehensive training and education program on the criminal justice system, with special emphasis on the parole process.
- Develop and implement a training program for each newly hired employee of the Board designated to conduct hearings under §508.281, Texas Government Code.
- Develop and implement a training program to provide an annual update to designees of the Board on issues and procedures relating to the revocation process.
- Prepare and biennially update a procedural manual to be used by designees of the Board.
- Prepare and update as necessary a handbook to be made available to participants in hearings under §508.281, Texas Government Code.
- Develop and implement a policy that clearly defines circumstances under which a Board Member or Parole Commissioner should disqualify himself or herself from voting.
- Adopt a mission statement.
- Adopt rules relating to the submission and presentation of information and arguments to the Board, a parole panel and the department for and on behalf of an inmate.
- Adopt rules relating to the time, place and manner of contact between a person representing an offender.
- Develop and review parole guidelines that are the basic criteria on which a parole decision is made.
- Adopt a policy establishing the date on which the Board may reconsider for release an inmate who has previously been denied release.

## Parole Commissioner Responsibilities

- Determine which inmates are to be released on parole or mandatory supervision.
- Determine conditions of parole.
- Modify and withdraw conditions of parole and mandatory supervision.
- Determine the continuation, modification, or revocation of parole or mandatory supervision violators.
- Issue subpoenas.
- Conduct inmate interviews.
- Conduct victim interviews.
- Conduct interviews with other interested parties, such as family members or attorneys.

# AGENCY STAFF

## General Counsel

The General Counsel to the Board is employed and supervised by the presiding officer to provide independent legal advice. The duties of the general counsel to the agency are assigned by the presiding officer and include but are not limited to the following:

- A. Providing legal advice to the Board as necessary on questions of law, litigation, and policy matters in the areas of Board parole decisions, revocations of parole and mandatory supervision, clemency, ethics, rulemaking under the Administrative Procedures Act, the Open Meetings Law, and the Public Information Act, the legislature and any other law or policy affecting the Board;
- B. Supervision of an assistant general counsels and administrative staff; and
- C. Notification to the presiding officer that a potential ground for removal of a board member exists and to the governor and the attorney general that a potential ground for removal of the presiding officer exists.

The General Counsel's Office shall provide quality legal support and services so that the Board of Pardons and Paroles can lawfully fulfill its mission. The primary goals of the General Counsel's Office are to provide consistent and professional services in a timely manner and thorough legal opinions; legal support to achieve the best possible litigation posture in all Board of Pardons and Paroles cases; legal resources for non-clients, consistent with General Counsel's responsibilities to the Board of Pardons and Paroles; and proactive legal training and education materials on operations-related issues of interest to the Board of Pardons and Paroles employees.

To assist the General Counsel in providing legal support to the Board of Pardons and Paroles, the General Counsel's Office staff consists of two Assistant General Counsels, Technical Writer, Legal Assistant and Legal Secretary.

## Board Administrator

The Board Administrator manages the day-to-day activities of the Board in support of the Presiding Officer. Responsibilities include:

- Supervision of all Board personnel except Board Members, Parole Commissioners,

Board Assistants, Board Analysts, General Counsel and Assistant General Counsel.

- Oversight of training programs, the career ladder program and compliance with equal employment opportunity legislation.
- Preparation of the annual financial report that accounts for the agency's expenditures in a fiscal year. This report meets the requirements of the General Appropriations Act.
- Monitoring the agency's work volume and ensuring that high performance standards are met.

The Board Administrator reports to the Presiding Officer and the Board on staffing issues, budget matters, the use of information resources and work volume statistics.

## Director of Administration

The Director of Administration manages all activities that support agency operations and that promote compliance with applicable legislation. Responsibilities include:

- Central Analysts
- Specialized Support
- Clemency
- General Support
- Board Support
- Information Systems

## Central Analysts

The Central Analysts prepare and present cases to the SISP Panel weekly, respond to general correspondence, coordinate Motions to Reopen, process the rescission of revocation warrants, prepare special review transmittals for panel presentation and provide assistance for Special Projects.

## Specialized Support

Human Resources assists with staffing and employment, as well as provides information regarding compensation benefits, employee relations, diversity and employment opportunity/affirmative action.

## AGENCY STAFF (Continued)

### Clemency

The Clemency Director oversees the administration and supervision of the Clemency staff and prepares and provides clemency information to the Governor's office, legislative offices, law enforcement agencies and the general public. The Clemency staff responds to requests for pardon application packets; analyze and research clemency requests; notify trial officials and TDCJ Victim Services Division of clemency applications prior to consideration by the Board; and, prepares clemency files for consideration by the Board Members. Upon a Board majority, the Board Members submit a recommendation to the Governor. The applicant will be notified of the decision by the Clemency staff.

### General Support

The Scheduling Unit schedules revocation hearings and attorney appointments for eligible offenders.

The Board Action Unit collects waivers and transmittal decisions from the Board offices, creates the statistical record and distributes SISP decisions.

### Board Support

The Board Support section determines special review eligibility and coordinates meetings in compliance with the Open Meetings Act in accordance with the Texas Register's guidelines.

This section is also responsible for preparing monthly statistical reports on activities of the Board Members, Parole Commissioners and the field operations staff; receiving, reviewing and processing attorney vouchers; and scanning information into the Offenders Information Management System (OIMS).

The communications unit responds to phone calls, receives correspondence and processes requests for revocation hearing tapes and related documents.

### Information Systems

This area manages and provides technical support for all computers, associated applications (MS Office, Lotus Notes) and associated network connections (LANs, WANs).

This section is also responsible for procurement functions and maintaining inventory.

### Director of Operations

The Director of Operations oversees the statewide revocation hearing process and provides direction and management through Regional Operations Supervisors. Responsibilities include:

- Supervising the Hearing Officers and associated administrative personnel used to facilitate the hearing process.
- Overseeing the review and presentation of information presented to a parole panel for case disposition.
- Reducing the processing time of all revocation hearings.

### Regional Operations Supervisors

Regional Operations Supervisors are located in Dallas, Houston and San Antonio and supervise the hearing officers and support staff in their regional area. Regional Operations Supervisors report to the Director of Operations.

### Hearing Officers

All Hearing Officers are "designees" of the Board for the purpose of conducting parole revocation hearings, in accordance with Chapter 508 of the Texas Government Code. Hearing officers are responsible for conducting hearings and writing reports. Each Hearing Officer reports to a Regional Operations Supervisor.

# HEARING OPERATIONS LOCATIONS

The purpose of Operations is to facilitate the revocation hearings process on behalf of the Board. The agency has Hearing Officers and support staff in 19 locations in Texas. Administrative hearings are held in the county jails or within TDCJ facilities.

## REGION 3

Abilene Hearing Operations  
100 Chestnut, Ste. 105  
Abilene, TX 79602  
Phone: (325) 676-4204

Amarillo Hearing Operations  
5809 South Western St., Ste. 237  
Amarillo, TX 79110  
Phone: (806) 457-8557

Austin Hearing Operations  
2101 E. Ben White, #1-A  
Austin, TX 78741  
Phone: (512) 462-3502

Corpus Christi Hearing Operations  
5233 IH 37, Ste. A-6  
Corpus Christi, TX 78408  
Phone: (361) 888-5769

El Paso Hearing Operations  
5929 Brook Hollow Dr.  
El Paso, TX 79925  
Phone: (915) 778-4233

Harlingen Hearing Operations  
232 Hanmore Dr.  
Harlingen, TX 78550  
Phone: (956) 428-0335

Lubbock Hearing Operations  
1220 Broadway, Ste. 1907  
Lubbock, TX 79401  
Phone: (806) 747-0484

Odessa Hearing Operations  
3603 Andrews Highway  
Odessa, TX 79762  
Phone: (432) 550-0131

San Angelo Hearing Operations  
938 Arroyo  
San Angelo, TX 76904  
Phone: (325) 947-8644

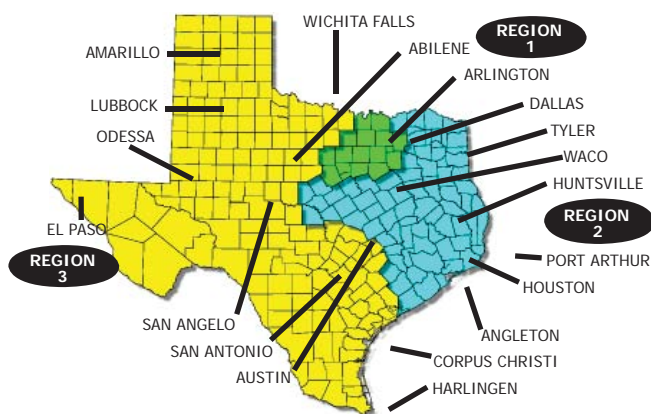
San Antonio Regional Hearing  
Operations  
2902 NE Loop 410, Ste. 219  
San Antonio, TX 78218  
Phone: (210) 564-3737

Wichita Falls Hearing Operations  
3100 Seymour Hwy, #118  
Wichita Falls, TX 76301  
Phone: (940) 322-2721

## REGION 1

Arlington Hearing Operations  
1201 N. Watson Rd., Ste. 250  
Arlington, TX 76006  
Phone: (817) 633-3731

Dallas Regional Hearing Operations  
1010 Cadiz, Ste. 105  
Dallas, TX 75215  
Phone: (214) 428-8338



## REGION 2

Angleton Hearing Operations  
1208 N. Velasco  
Angleton, TX 77515  
Phone: (979) 848-5710

Houston Regional Hearing Operations  
4949 W. 34th St., Ste. A3  
Houston, TX 77092  
Phone: (713) 681-4828

Huntsville Hearing Operations  
1300 11th St., Ste. 520  
Huntsville, TX 77340  
Phone: (936) 291-2244

Port Arthur Hearing Operations  
5860 9th Ave., Ste. A  
Port Arthur, TX 77642  
Phone: (409) 960-7077

Tyler Hearing Operations  
517 N. Glenwood, Ste. A  
Tyler, TX 75702  
Phone: (903) 531-0057

Waco Hearing Operations  
801 Austin, Ste. 135  
Waco, TX 76701  
Phone: (254) 752-3753

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TDCJ provides relevant information to assist the Board in determining the disposition of parole and mandatory supervision cases.

## PAROLE DIVISION

The TDCJ works closely with the Board from providing information for a parole panel to make a release decision; to supervising the offender in accordance with the terms, rules and conditions of release; and when an offender is alleged to have violated those terms and conditions, to providing information for the parole panel to impose the appropriate sanction or return to the offender to TDCJ CID.

### **Review and Release Processing Section**

This section is responsible for identifying all offenders who are eligible for parole or discretionary mandatory supervision for review by a parole panel. They are also responsible for coordinating the safe release of offenders to parole and mandatory supervision.

*Institutional Parole Office (IPO)* – The IPO compiles data for the case summary reviewed by the parole panel members in making their parole and discretionary mandatory release decisions. The IPOs are assigned to the TDCJ Correctional Institutions located in close proximity to their office.

*Case Tracking and Analysis Section* – This staff is primarily responsible for coordinating the activities once the parole panel approves an offenders release or parole or mandatory supervision, or an eligible offender is scheduled for release to mandatory supervision, e.g., notice to

trial officials and victims, parole plan approval, county of residence, special needs, mandatory special conditions, other special conditions, etc.

*Central File Coordination Unit (CFCU)* – The CFCU is primarily responsible for coordinating the movement and maintenance of the case files of inmates and offenders to the Board Offices for the parole panel's review and consideration. The section also verifies the amount of restitution when a parole panel imposes a special condition requiring the offender to pay restitution.

### **Field Operations Section**

This section employs parole officers who are primarily responsible for supervising the offenders released on parole or mandatory supervision in accordance with the terms, rules and conditions imposed by the parole panel. The parole officer investigates release plans prior to release, assess and classify offenders after their release and develop supervision plans based upon the needs of the offender.

*Central Coordination Unit (CCU)* – The primary function of the CCU is to provide support services to the Field Operations. Their specific duties include verifying death notices and monitoring offenders released to law enforcement or INS detainers.

### **Specialized Programs Section**

This section enhances the successful reintegration of an offender who has been released on parole or mandatory supervision. The section develops and administers a range of therapeutic, residential and resource programs.

### **Warrants Section**

This section is responsible for managing and processing the files where the parole officer alleges the offender has violated a term, rule or condition of release. This includes issuing pre-revocation warrants, assisting law enforcement in the apprehension of offenders, arranging the extradition of offenders arrested in other states, and ensuring that offenders receive the proper time credits when they are in custody on a pre-revocation warrant.

### **Interstate Compact Office**

After the parole panel releases an offender on parole or mandatory supervision or the offender is required to be released on mandatory supervision, this office coordinates the transfer of the offender's supervision from the state of Texas to another state including the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Parole Division  
8610 Shoal Creek Blvd.  
P.O. Box 13401, Capitol Station  
Austin, Texas 78711  
(512) 406-5250

## VICTIM SERVICES DIVISION

The TDCJ Victim Services Division is dedicated to providing direct, personal service to victims and their families.

Examples of how Victim Services interacts with the Board in the parole review process are as follows:

- Receives and processes protest letters from victims and concerned citizens.
- Forwards protest letters to the Board for review and consideration.
- Maintains record of victims requesting personal visits with Board Members and Parole

Commissioners, and notifying them which Board office to contact.

- Facilitates the Board's interaction with crime victims, victim service providers, and other state agencies by having a Board Member or Parole Commissioner represent the Board on the Victim Advisory Council.

Victim Services Division  
8712 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 265  
Austin, Texas 78757-1032  
1-800-848-4284

## REHABILITATION PROGRAMS DIVISION

The Rehabilitation Programs Division coordinates activities between the divisions of TDCJ to ensure programs and services are administered efficiently and with consistency. This division is responsible for ensuring an offender is placed in a rehabilitation program as ordered by a parole panel.

Programs offered by the Rehabilitation Programs Division:

- CHANGES/Lifeskills
- Segovia Pre-Release Center (Segovia PRC)
- Sex Offender Education Program (SOEP)
- Sex Offender Treatment Program (SOTP)

- In-Prison Therapeutic Community Program (IPTC)
- Pre-Release Therapeutic Community (PRTC)
- Pre-Release Substance Abuse Program (PRSAP)
- Serious and Violent Offender Reentry Initiative Program (SVORI)
- Interchange Freedom Initiative (IFI)
- Voyager Pre-Release Program

Rehabilitation Programs Division  
P. O. Box 99  
Huntsville, TX 77342  
(936) 437-2180

## TEXAS CORRECTIONAL OFFICE ON OFFENDERS WITH MEDICAL OR MENTAL IMPAIRMENTS (TCOOMMI)

The Texas Correctional Office for Offenders with Medical or Mental Impairments (TCOOMMI) reviews and submits recommendations to the Board for the two programs listed below:

### Continuity of Care Program

- Identifying offenders with special needs who are within six months of release.
- Participating in joint treatment planning with CID, State Jails, SAFPFs, or other referrals.
- Securing resources in the community for all offenders with special needs.
- Submitting social security and other federal entitlement applications 90 days prior to release.
- Monitoring post release service access through 90-day follow-up reports.

### Medically Recommended Intensive Supervision (MRIS) Program

The MRIS program provides for early parole review and release of the following categories of offenders:

1. Mentally ill
2. Mentally retarded
3. Terminally ill
4. In need of long term care
5. Physically handicapped

The purpose of MRIS is to consider the release of offenders who pose minimal public safety risk, from incarceration to more cost effective alternatives.

TCOOMMI  
8610 Shoal Creek Blvd.  
Austin, Texas 78757  
(512) 465-5100

# BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES ACTIVITY

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# REVIEW PROCESS

The review process entails an exhaustive review and consideration of an offender's case, from the offense of conviction, to their medical and psychological history, to how they have adjusted and behaved in prison. Case files arrive in each board office once or twice a week or sent by an electronic file through the Offender Management Information System (OIMS). Each parole panel reviews the files assigned to them and interviews victims upon request as required in Texas Government Code, Chapter 508, §508.153. Interviews with offenders and other individuals in support/protest of an offender is at the voter's discretion.

## Parole Panels

A parole panel is comprised of one board member and two parole commissioners who make decisions by a majority vote concerning parole and mandatory release, revocation and imposing conditions of supervision. For offenders convicted of certain offenses, the law requires a vote of two-thirds of the board members to make a decision on these types of cases (Texas Government Code, §508.046, Extraordinary Vote Required).

## Parole Review

All offenders sentenced to a term of incarceration in the TDCJ CID, except those sentenced to death, are eligible for release on parole. If an offender is denied parole, a parole panel or the board is required to reconsider an offender for release as soon as practical after the first anniversary of the date of the denial unless the offender is convicted of an offense listed in the Texas Government Code, §508.149(a). For those cases, the parole panel or the board will review the case after the first anniversary date and no later than the fifth anniversary date of the denial.

## Board Activity Report

The Board of Pardons and Paroles was established by the Texas Constitution to make decisions concerning parole and recommend clemency to the governor. The tables in this section of the annual report will detail the activities of the Board Members and Parole Commissioners' votes for and against parole and discretionary mandatory supervision; revocation and non-revocation decisions including the number of hearings conducted and waivers reviewed; and the number of clemency cases reviewed by the board members.

### **PAROLE**

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## Parole Considerations

The overall parole approval rate for FY 2009 was 30.26%. Parole considerations in the following table is distinguished by violent and non-violent and aggravated sexual and aggravated non-sexual. An example of a violent offense is murder and non-violent is possession of a controlled substance. The sexual and non-sexual categories are self-explanatory.

There are additional tables in this section that provide a history of the overall parole approval rates, approval and denial rates for each board member, approval rate by type and other related parole tables by designated categories e.g., consecutive sentences, parole in abstenia, medically recommended intensive supervision and special review.

# SUMMARY OF BOARD ACTIVITY

Parole Considerations and Approval Rates by Offense Type

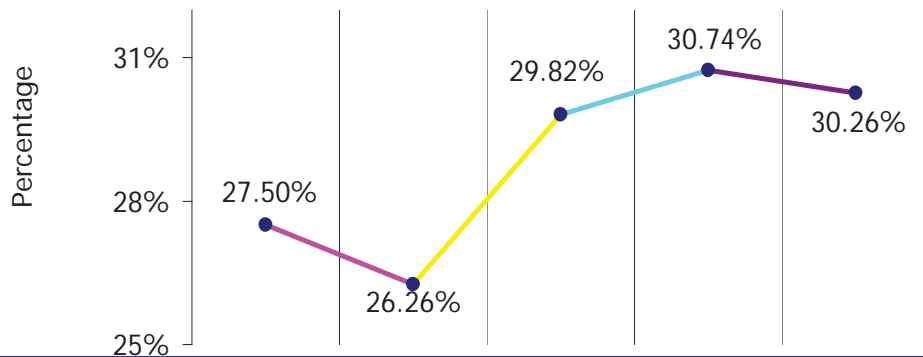
	CASES CONSIDERED	CASES APPROVED	APPROVAL RATE
<b>Violent Aggravated Non-Sexual</b>	10,347	2,513	24.29%
<b>Violent Aggravated Sexual</b>	3,708	795	21.44%
<b>Violent Non-Aggravated Non-Sexual</b>	13,402	2,802	20.91%
<b>Non-Aggravated Sexual</b>	2,695	461	17.11%
<b>Non-Violent</b>	46,455	16,611	35.76%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>76,607 **</b>	<b>23,182 *</b>	<b>30.26%</b>

\* 1,212 Parole Approvals were withdrawn and re-voted by the Board.

\*\* 359 Parole Denials were withdrawn and re-voted by the Board.

\*\* 1,671 Parole Denials were required in order to vote Discretionary Mandatory Supervision cases. See Appendix A for monthly data.

Parole Considerations and Approval Rates History  
FY 2005 - FY 2009



	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
<b>CASES CONSIDERED</b>	71,207	72,583	74,488	74,895	76,607
<b>CASES APPROVED</b>	19,582	19,061	22,209	23,025	23,182
<b>APPROVAL RATE</b>	27.50%	26.26%	29.82%	30.74%	30.26%

Parole Considerations by Board Members  
and Parole Commissioners

	TOTAL VOTES	NUMBER APPROVED	APPROVAL RATE	DENIAL RATE
Aliseda, J.	5,800	1,793	30.91%	69.09%
Aycock, C.	9,633	2,992	31.06%	68.94%
Davis, C.	10,872	4,069	37.43%	62.57%
DeNoyelles, J.	9,697	2,811	28.99%	71.01%
Fordyce, T.	8,599	2,617	30.43%	69.57%
Freeman, P.	6,674	2,045	30.64%	69.36%
Garcia, R.	8,666	2,705	31.21%	68.79%
Gonzalez, J.	10,628	3,763	35.41%	64.59%
Hensarling, J.	8,654	2,421	27.98%	72.02%
Hightower, E.	9,982	3,064	30.70%	69.30%
Kiel, J.	8,682	2,529	29.13%	70.87%
Leeper, T.	2,555	856	33.50%	66.50%
Lorraine, B.	7,863	2,501	31.81%	68.19%
Morales, E.	8,949	3,285	36.71%	63.29%
Owens, R.	1,102	773	70.15%	29.85%
Poland, J.	9,641	2,478	25.70%	74.30%
Ruzicka, L.	8,408	3,003	35.72%	64.28%
Shipman, C.	8,521	1,951	22.90%	77.10%
Speier, C.	8,661	3,255	37.58%	62.42%
Thrasher, H.	9,988	2,661	26.64%	73.36%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>163,575</b>	<b>51,572</b>	<b>31.53%</b>	<b>68.47%</b>

See Appendix B for monthly data.

NOTE: Parole considerations total denotes number of votes cast in review of parole release of offenders and includes parole-in-absentia and consecutive sentence case considerations. These totals do not include discretionary mandatory supervision considerations.

Parole Review Votes

	Parole App	Parole Denied	TOTAL
<b>TOTALS</b>	51,187*	110,328**	161,515

\* 4,695 Parole Approvals were SB 45 votes.

\*\* 7,987 Parole Denials were SB 45 votes.

Parole Approvals by Voting Options

	VOTING OPTION	TOTAL VOTES	PERCENT
FI-1	Release when eligible.	8,392	36.20%
FI-2	Release on a specified date.	3,547	15.30%
FI-3R *	Requires the offender to complete a TDCJ rehabilitation program and be released no earlier than three months from specified date.	4,678	20.18%
FI-4	Transfer to a Pre-Parole Transfer (PPT) facility and release on a specified date.	78	0.34%
FI-4R *	Requires the offender to complete a TDCJ rehabilitation program and be released no earlier than four months from specified date.	578	2.49%
FI-5	Requires the offender to complete an In-Prison Therapeutic Community (IPTC) program prior to release on parole.	2,409	10.39%
FI-6R *	Requires the offender to complete a TDCJ rehabilitation program and be released no earlier than six months from specified date.	2,888	12.46%
FI-7R *	Transfer to the TDCJ Serious and Violent Offender Reentry Initiative (SVORI) program. Release to parole only after program completion and not earlier than seven months from the specified date.	62	0.27%
FI-18R *	Requires the offender to complete a TDCJ rehabilitation program and be released no earlier than eighteen months from specified date.	379	1.63%
CUFI	Approval for parole on the current sentence in a series; offenders serving consecutive sentences are considered for parole for each individual sentence upon reaching eligibility. The offender must receive parole on or discharge the first sentence to commence serving the next sentence in the series.	171	0.74%
	TOTAL FI VOTES	<b>23,182</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
	TOTAL TIER VOTES ONLY	<b>8,585</b>	<b>37.03% **</b>

See Appendix C for monthly data.

\* Rehabilitation tier voting options include requirements that offenders complete various programs in TDCJ-CID before release on parole. These rehabilitation programs are designed to help offenders prepare themselves for return to the community and to facilitate their successful reentry into society.

\*\* The 37.03% represents the actual percentage of Rehabilitation Tier Votes (FI-3R, FI-4R, FI-6R, FI-7R and FI-18R) of the total 23,182 FI votes.

**Consecutive Sentences:**

- If approved for parole on the current sentence, the offender will begin serving the next sentence on the date designated by the parole panel.
- If all of the offenses in the series of cumulative sentences occurred on or after September 1, 1987, then each sentence in the series must be considered separately and apart from the other cumulative sentences in the series.
- On the last and final sentence, the offender is reviewed in the same manner as any offender sentenced to serve a single sentence.
- Offenders are not released until parole is granted or the mandatory release date for the last sentence in the series has been reached.

Parole Considerations for Offenders Serving Consecutive Sentences

	PAROLE FROM CID	PIA	TOTAL
<b>Considered</b>	938	50	<b>988</b>
<b>Approved</b>	168	6	<b>174</b>
<b>Approval Rate</b>	17.91%	12.00%	<b>17.61%</b>

See Appendix D for monthly data.

**Parole in Absentia**

[Parole Review and Mandatory Supervision for Offenders Not in Actual Physical Custody of the TDCJ Correctional Institutions Division (CID)]:

Parole in Absentia (PIA) includes offenders who were sentenced to confinement in the TDCJ Correctional Institutions Division (CID) but were released on their Texas sentences while incarcerated in a county jail, a facility in another state, or a federal facility.

Correctional Institutions Division (CID) Offenders Released on Parole in Absentia (PIA)

	PAROLE PIA	MS PIA	TOTALS
<b>FY 2005</b>	412	1,264	1,676
<b>FY 2006</b>	316	1,673	1,989
<b>FY 2007</b>	292	1,501	1,793
<b>FY 2008</b>	269	1,347	1,616
<b>FY 2009</b>	305	1,422	1,727

PIA County of Release

	PAROLE	MS	DMS	TOTAL	PERCENT
<b>Federal Jurisdiction</b>	193	14	88	<b>295</b>	17.08%
<b>Other TDCJ Custody</b>	2	18	76	<b>96</b>	5.56%
<b>Other State Jurisdiction</b>	37	13	24	<b>74</b>	4.28%
<b>Bell County Jail</b>	0	3	14	<b>17</b>	0.98%
<b>Bexar County Jail</b>	5	16	122	<b>143</b>	8.28%
<b>Brazoria County Jail</b>	1	1	47	<b>49</b>	2.84%
<b>Cameron County Jail</b>	1	2	22	<b>25</b>	1.45%
<b>Collin County Jail</b>	3	1	31	<b>35</b>	2.03%
<b>Dallas County Jail</b>	5	9	98	<b>112</b>	6.49%
<b>Denton County Jail</b>	1	0	17	<b>18</b>	1.04%
<b>El Paso County Jail</b>	2	3	48	<b>53</b>	3.07%
<b>Fort Bend County Jail</b>	4	2	25	<b>31</b>	1.80%
<b>Galveston County Jail</b>	0	0	42	<b>42</b>	2.43%
<b>Harris County Jail</b>	16	14	180	<b>210</b>	12.16%
<b>Jefferson County Jail</b>	5	3	15	<b>23</b>	1.33%
<b>Lubbock County Jail</b>	0	2	16	<b>18</b>	1.04%
<b>Montgomery County Jail</b>	1	0	31	<b>32</b>	1.85%
<b>Tarrant County Jail</b>	2	2	49	<b>53</b>	3.07%
<b>Travis County Jail</b>	0	5	29	<b>34</b>	1.97%
<b>Other*</b>	27	31	309	<b>367</b>	21.25%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>1,283</b>	<b>1,727</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

\* The remainder of county jails, and unspecified release sites, each of which had less than 10 PIA releases in FY 2009.



## Discretionary Mandatory Supervision

For offenses committed on or after September 1, 1996, a parole panel is required to approve an offender's release to mandatory supervision. A parole panel may deny an offender's release to mandatory supervision when it determines that an offender's accrued good conduct time is not an accurate reflection of the offender's potential for rehabilitation and the offender's release would endanger the public.

Prior to Discretionary Mandatory Supervision, certain offenders were released to Mandatory Supervision according to the statutory requirements without a parole panel vote.

Offenders excluded from the mandatory supervision law are those serving a sentence for or have been previously convicted of the following offenses:

- Capital Murder

- Aggravated Kidnapping
- Aggravated Sexual Assault
- Aggravated Robbery
- Any offense with an affirmative finding of a deadly weapon
- Murder, 1st Degree
- Sexual Assault, 2nd Degree
- Aggravated Assault, 1st and 2nd Degree
- Injury to a Child or Elderly, 1st Degree
- Arson, 1st Degree
- Robbery, 2nd Degree
- Burglary, 1st Degree
- A felony increased under Health and Safety Code (Drug-Free Zones)
- Injury to Disabled Individual
- Indecency with a Child, 2nd and 3rd Degree
- Murder, 2nd Degree

### **DISCRETIONARY MANDATORY SUPERVISION (DMS)**

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## DMS Votes

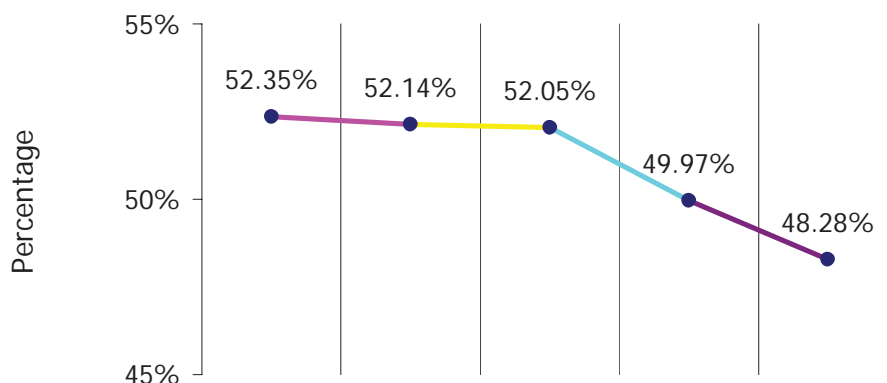
The DMS votes are listed by considerations and approval rates by offense type, considerations and approval rates history and considerations by each voting member. The overall approval rate for DMS is 48.28%

DMS Considerations and Approval Rates by Offense Type

	CASES CONSIDERED	CASES APPROVED	APPROVAL RATE
Violent Aggravated Non-Sexual	4	2	50.00%
Violent Aggravated Sexual	32	6	18.75%
Violent Non-Aggravated Non-Sexual	3,677	1,198	32.58%
Non-Aggravated Sexual	496	115	23.19%
Non-Violent	14,345	7,636	53.23%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>18,554</b>	<b>8,957</b>	<b>48.28%</b>

See Appendix E for monthly data.

DMS Considerations and Approval Rates History  
FY 2005 - FY 2009



	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
<b>CASES CONSIDERED</b>	13,765	17,025	18,131	17,811	18,554
<b>CASES APPROVED</b>	7,206	8,876	9,437	8,900	8,957
<b>APPROVAL RATE</b>	52.35%	52.14%	52.05%	49.97%	48.28%

DMS Considerations  
by Board Members and Parole Commissioners

	TOTAL VOTES	NUMBER APPROVED	APPROVAL RATE	DENIAL RATE
Aliseda, J.	1,095	591	53.97%	46.03%
Aycock, C.	1,678	754	44.93%	55.07%
Davis, C.	2,220	894	40.27%	59.73%
DeNoyelles, J.	1,698	866	51.00%	49.00%
Fordyce, T.	1,900	657	34.58%	65.42%
Freeman, P.	1,485	759	51.11%	48.89%
Garcia, R.	2,021	850	42.06%	57.94%
Gonzalez, J.	3,050	1,601	52.49%	47.51%
Hensarling, J.	1,825	839	45.97%	54.03%
Hightower, E.	3,699	1,975	53.39%	46.61%
Kiel, J.	1,794	888	49.50%	50.50%
Leeper, T.	558	237	42.47%	57.53%
Lorraine, B.	1,606	742	46.20%	53.80%
Morales, E.	1,949	1,006	51.62%	48.38%
Owens, R.	57	33	57.89%	42.11%
Poland, J.	2,113	958	45.34%	54.66%
Ruzicka, L.	2,056	1,089	52.97%	47.03%
Shipman, C.	1,770	798	45.08%	54.92%
Speier, C.	1,907	1,120	58.73%	41.27%
Thrasher, H.	3,488	1,690	48.45%	51.55%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>37,969</b>	<b>18,347</b>	<b>48.32%</b>	<b>51.68%</b>

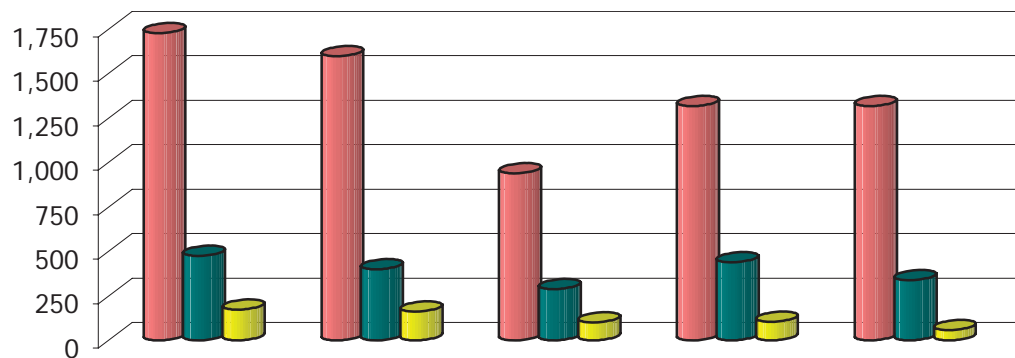
See Appendix F for monthly data.

# MEDICALLY RECOMMENDED INTENSIVE SUPERVISION (MRIS)

Upon review of any eligible offender who qualifies for release to Medically Recommended Intensive Supervision (MRIS), the MRIS panel bases its decisions on the offender's medical condition and medical evaluation, and whether the offender constitutes a threat to public safety.

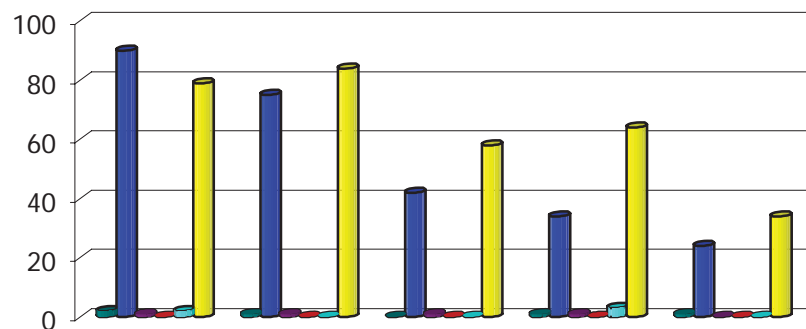
Offenders shall comply with the terms and conditions of the MRIS program and abide by a Texas Correctional Office for Offenders with Mental or Medical Impairments (TCOOMMI) approved release plan. Offenders remain under the care of a physician and in a medically suitable placement.

MRIS Data Comparison



	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Screen	1,729	1,600	941	1,319	1,318
Presented	475	401	290	438	337
Approved	174	161	101	103	59

MRIS Approval Rates by Diagnosis



	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
Elderly	2	1	0	1	1
Long Term Care	90	75	42	34	24
Mentally III	1	1	1	1	0
Mentally Retarded	0	0	0	0	0
Physically Handicapped	2	0	0	3	0
Terminally III	79	84	58	64	34
TOTALS	174	161	101	103	59

MRIS Data Comparison and Approval Rates by Diagnosis statistics are provided by TCOOMMI. See Appendix G for monthly data. For MRIS Panel Considerations, see Appendix H.

## SPECIAL REVIEW

Special Review provides a forum for receipt and consideration of information not previously available to the parole panel. If the panel based their decision upon erroneous information or an administrative file processing error, the case file may be returned to the original panel to reconsider their decision. Requests for special review are considered in the following circumstances:

- A parole panel denied release to parole or mandatory supervision and a parole panel member who voted with the majority on that panel desires to have the decision reconsidered prior to the next review (NR) date; or
- A written request on behalf of an offender is received which cites information not previously available to the parole panel; or
- Both parole panel members who voted with the majority are no longer active Board Members or Parole Commissioners and the Presiding Officer (Presiding Officer) places the decision in the special review process to be reconsidered prior to the NR date.

Parole Considerations after an Approval  
for a Special Review

	NUMBER
FI-1 (Parole when Eligible)	13
FI-2 (Parole on Specified Date)	5
FI-5 (IPTC)	5
CUFI Vote	1
RMS (Release to Mandatory Supervision)	8
DMS (Deny Mandatory Supervision)	5
FI-3R (Changes)	11
FI-8R (PRTC, PRSAP)	5
FI-18R (SOTP, Innerchange)	2
FI-4R (SETP)	3
NR (Continuance Review Date-set off)	44
SA (Required to Serve All)	6
No Parole Vote in FY 2009	2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>110</b>

\* One approval resulting from a special review was withdrawn.

**NOTE:**

The Board Administrator shall refer to the special review parole panel only those requests for special review, which meet specific criteria. Over 2,900 requests for special review were evaluated by the Board Administrator and/or central administrative staff in FY 2009.

Parole Considerations/Special Review  
by Board Members and Parole Commissioners

	CON	APP	APPROVAL RATE	DENIAL RATE
Aliseda, J.	45	22	48.89%	51.11%
Aycock, C.	11	7	63.64%	36.36%
Davis, C.	22	15	68.18%	31.82%
DeNoyelles, J.	10	5	50.00%	50.00%
Fordyce, T.	9	5	55.56%	44.44%
Freeman, P.	1	1	100.00%	0.00%
Garcia, R.	11	5	45.45%	54.55%
Gonzalez, J.	17	6	35.29%	64.71%
Hensarling, J.	1	0	0.00%	100.00%
Hightower, E.	8	3	37.50%	62.50%
Kiel, J.	2	0	0.00%	100.00%
Leeper, T.	3	2	66.67%	33.33%
Lorraine, B.	4	3	75.00%	25.00%
Morales, E.	41	23	56.10%	43.90%
Owens, R.	5	4	80.00%	20.00%
Poland, J.	2	2	100.00%	0.00%
Ruzicka, L.	3	2	66.67%	33.33%
Shipman, C.	4	2	50.00%	50.00%
Speier, C.	43	20	46.51%	53.49%
Thrasher, H.	5	3	60.00%	40.00%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>52.63%</b>	<b>47.37%</b>

## OTHER VOTES AND ACTIVITIES

The Presiding Officer designates regular parole panels and alternate panels.

- Super Intensive Supervision (SISP) panel - considers offenders who must be known to have: committed or threatened to commit an act resulting in a victim, caused bodily injury or serious bodily injury or placed an individual in danger of bodily injury or serious bodily injury; or has had problematic institutional adjustment, such that, their accrued good conduct time is not an accurate reflection of his or her potential for rehabilitation and whose release would endanger the public or identified by TDCJ as a member of an organized prison gang.
- Motion to Reopen panel - considers requests to reopen a revocation hearing or reinstate supervision under exceptional circumstances including but not limited to: a judicial reversal of a judgment of conviction where the offense was a factor in the initial revocation decision; a judicial order requiring a hearing; or an initial revocation effected without opportunity for a hearing or waiver as required under law.

Special Panels by Votes

	CONSIDERED	APPROVED	DENIED
<b>SISP</b>	25,383	1,593	23,790
<b>Motion to Reopen</b>	677	56	621
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>26,060</b>	<b>1,649</b>	<b>24,411</b>

Parole and DMS Review Votes

	FI	NR	SA	RMS	DMS	CUFI	CUNR	CUSA	TOTALS
<b>1st Vote</b>	23,575	35,722	16,185	8,834	9,461	178	686	55	<b>94,696</b>
<b>2nd Vote</b>	22,491	35,931	15,899	8,813	9,395	146	663	57	<b>93,395</b>
<b>3rd Vote</b>	2,602	3,473	1,160	386	430	18	61	5	<b>8,135</b>
<b>4th Vote</b>	2,159	263	161	0	0	18	7	0	<b>2,608</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>50,827</b>	<b>75,389</b>	<b>33,405</b>	<b>18,033</b>	<b>19,286</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>1,417</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>198,834</b>

Transmittals are submitted to parole panels by the Parole Division requesting imposition or withdrawal of special conditions. The total number of other votes were 142,256, which include hearing actions (further detailed in the next pages) and transmittals.

Board Members and Parole Commissioners conduct victim, inmate, attorney and family interviews via telephone or video conference; and educate offenders, victims and other members of the public regarding the parole process through presentations.

Other Votes

	NUMBER
<b>Hearing Action Votes</b>	59,485
<b>Transmittal Votes</b>	82,771
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>142,256</b>

Other Activities

	NUMBER
<b>Office Interviews</b>	508
<b>Telephone Interviews</b>	6,470
<b>Correspondence Responses</b>	23,629
<b>Unit Interviews</b>	3,713
<b>Video Interviews</b>	347
<b>Public Presentations</b>	70
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>34,737</b>

# HEARINGS ACTIVITY

## Hearing Process

**Parole officer requests warrant.** The TDCJ Parole Division issues a warrant or summons when an offender is suspected of violating parole conditions.

**Hearing is scheduled.** The Board's scheduling unit receives a request from the TDCJ Parole Division for a preliminary or revocation hearing, depending on the offender's eligibility.

**In cases where a preliminary hearing is required, the hearing officer rules on whether the case should proceed to a hearing.** If the offender decides to waive the hearing, or the hearing officer determines the case should not proceed to a hearing, the hearing officer will forward the waiver of the preliminary hearing report to the analyst. An analyst will review the waiver. If there is probable cause to believe a violation has occurred, the analyst may refer the case to a parole officer to schedule a revocation hearing, or may present the case to a parole panel for disposition.

**The scheduling unit maintains the hearing schedule in a database,** and the schedule is printed daily for distribution to hearing officers.

**Hearing officers conduct hearings.** As designees of the Board, hearing officers throughout the state conduct revocation hearings. They also handle hearings associated with extradition matters in out-of-state cases supervised by Texas.

At the conclusion of a hearing, the hearing officer prepares the hearing report and forwards it,

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along with summaries of the evidence and exhibits from the hearing, to the hearing analyst.

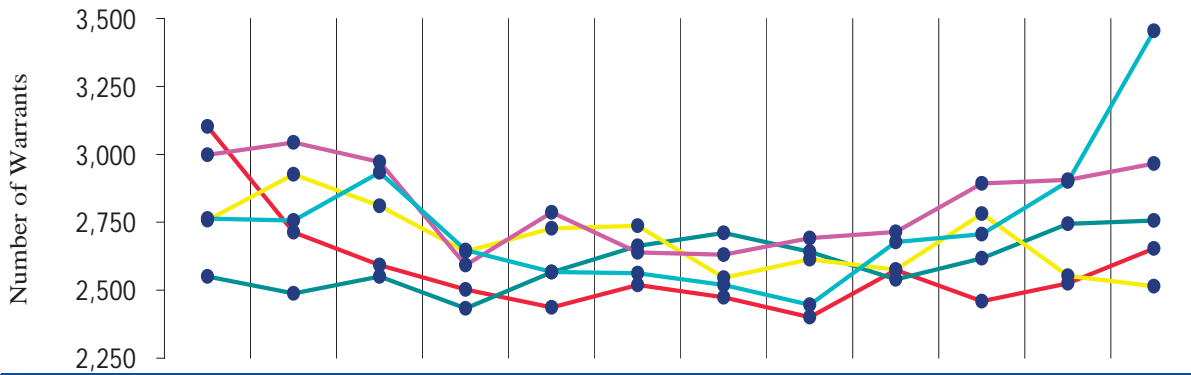
**Analysts present findings to Parole Panels.** The analyst presents the hearing report or the offender's waiver and related documents to the parole panel. The hearing report includes a recommendation for case disposition from the parole officer, hearing officer, and analyst.

**The Parole Panel votes and the case is concluded.** The parole panel will make the final decision, choosing one of the following options:

- Continue supervision with or without modified conditions,
- ISF or SAFPF placements,
- Revoke, or
- Refer the case back to the hearing officer for further development of factual or legal issues.

Offenders who are arrested because of pre-revocation warrants (often called "blue warrants") may be held in county jails awaiting disposition of pending criminal charges.

Historical Perspective of Parole Warrants in County Jails  
FY 2005 - 2009



	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	TOTAL
FY 2005	2,764	2,756	2,934	2,648	2,567	2,562	2,519	2,446	2,677	2,706	2,900	3,455	32,934
FY 2006	2,998	3,044	2,972	2,593	2,786	2,639	2,631	2,692	2,714	2,893	2,906	2,966	33,834
FY 2007	2,758	2,927	2,810	2,643	2,728	2,737	2,546	2,614	2,576	2,782	2,553	2,515	32,189
FY 2008	2,551	2,488	2,551	2,433	2,566	2,663	2,711	2,641	2,540	2,618	2,745	2,757	31,264
FY 2009	3,103	2,713	2,593	2,503	2,437	2,519	2,474	2,401	2,574	2,460	2,525	2,653	30,955

**Hearings Conducted by Hearing Officers**

Texas Government Code, §508.282 (hereinafter referred to as SB 880), relates to the time allowed for the disposition of alleged violations of parole by a parole panel where the alleged violation occurred. The statutory time frame from warrant execution of an administrative violation of a condition of release to the date of a panel disposition is 41 days. A continuance of a hearing extends the time frame by 15 days.

The offender is entitled to due process in the revocation hearing. These requirements are outlined in *Morrissey v. Brewer*, 408 U.S. 471, 33L.Ed2d 484, 494 (1972). The scheduling unit staff or hearing officers appoints attorneys to represent offenders when necessary.

The hearing officers averaged 70 hearings a day in FY 2009. Of the 18,286 total hearings, there were 11,454 subject to SB 880. Cases subject to SB 880 where the offender was entitled to a preliminary hearing averaged 22.17 days; those entitled to a revocation hearing averaged 28.27 days; and those cases entitled to both a preliminary and revocation hearing averaged 41.14 days.

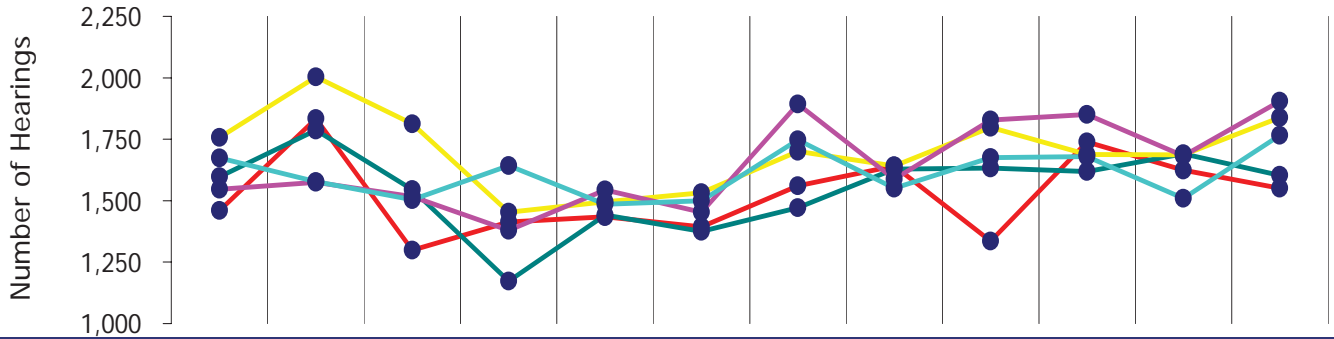
Hearings – Average Processing Time in Days \*

	PRELIMINARY	REVOCAION	PRELIMINARY & REVOCAION
SEP	24.36	28.82	40.82
OCT	24.63	30.42	44.18
NOV	24.20	27.99	44.31
DEC	23.14	28.23	43.55
JAN	24.63	30.86	47.51
FEB	19.62	27.30	37.44
MAR	20.76	28.29	43.90
APR	22.27	27.44	38.87
MAY	21.23	26.64	39.41
JUN	22.13	27.61	39.81
JUL	18.03	27.43	35.90
AUG	20.99	28.25	37.96
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>22.17</b>	<b>28.27</b>	<b>41.14</b>

\*Start date to parole panel disposition.

## Hearings Conducted by Hearing Officers FY 2005 – FY 2009

The annual total of hearings illustrates the cumulative workload of the Board's hearing officers. In addition to their regular workload, the hearing officers participate in training. Since laws, court decisions, and Board policies change or are reinterpreted over time, the hearing process is constantly changing. The annual training seminar keeps the hearing officers informed of changes that affect their decision-making responsibilities and the hearing process.



	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	TOTAL
FY 2005	1,674	1,577	1,504	1,643	1,486	1,500	1,747	1,551	1,675	1,679	1,509	1,766	19,311
FY 2006	1,546	1,575	1,516	1,380	1,543	1,453	1,893	1,587	1,828	1,851	1,683	1,904	19,759
FY 2007	1,758	2,004	1,812	1,453	1,496	1,532	1,701	1,641	1,798	1,688	1,687	1,838	20,408
FY 2008	1,597	1,787	1,545	1,172	1,442	1,375	1,471	1,629	1,633	1,618	1,691	1,603	18,563
FY 2009	1,460	1,834	1,299	1,414	1,435	1,393	1,561	1,641	1,336	1,739	1,624	1,550	18,286

### Allegations Presented for Administrative Decisions

#### By Allegation

	NUMBER
New Conviction	12,854
Law Violation No New Conviction	4,132
Technical Only	13,363
Erroneous Release	40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30,389</b>

See Appendix I for monthly data.

#### By Decision

	NON-REVOCAATION				GO TO HEARING	REOPEN HEARING	PLACE IN NORMAL REVIEW	REVOKE	TOTAL ACTIONS
	CONTINUE SUPERVISION	TRANSFER TO ISF FACILITY	REPAROLE	SAFPF					
FY 2005	6,958	10,043	25	819	2,283	88	43	10,609	<b>30,868</b>
	22.54%	32.54%	0.08%	2.65%	7.40%	0.29%	0.14%	34.37%	
FY 2006	7,191	11,219	26	606	2,078	66	40	10,256	<b>31,482</b>
	22.84%	35.64%	0.08%	1.92%	6.60%	0.21%	0.13%	32.58%	
FY 2007	8,145	10,786	6	670	1,935	62	49	10,251	<b>31,904</b>
	25.53%	33.81%	0.02%	2.10%	6.07%	0.19%	0.15%	32.13%	
FY 2008	10,204	10,183	6	912	1,800	67	36	7,287	<b>30,495</b>
	33.46%	33.39%	0.02%	2.99%	5.90%	0.22%	0.12%	23.90%	
FY 2009	10,415	10,079	7	610	1,710	58	39	7,471	<b>30,389</b>
	34.27%	33.17%	0.02%	2.01%	5.63%	0.19%	0.13%	24.58%	



Cumulative Decisions

	NON-REVOCACTION				GO TO HEARING	REOPEN HEARING	PLACE IN NORMAL REVIEW	REVOKE	TOTAL ACTIONS
	CONTINUE SUPERVISION	TRANSFER TO ISF FACILITY	REPAROLE	SAFPF					
SEP	779	830	0	48	164	1	1	538	2,361
OCT	1,024	1,028	0	60	151	3	0	766	3,032
NOV	694	703	0	43	110	0	4	525	2,079
DEC	788	768	1	48	125	11	2	562	2,305
JAN	874	874	0	54	131	8	5	637	2,583
FEB	776	722	1	44	125	0	5	576	2,249
MAR	914	879	1	61	160	3	0	767	2,785
APR	969	923	2	65	138	4	2	685	2,788
MAY	788	797	0	54	136	7	4	634	2,420
JUN	833	865	0	31	157	7	3	571	2,467
JUL	1,068	975	1	59	178	7	7	705	3,000
AUG	908	715	1	43	135	7	6	505	2,320
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>10,415</b>	<b>10,079</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>1,710</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>7,471</b>	<b>30,389</b>
<b>AVERAGE</b>	868	840	1	51	143	5	3	623	2,532
<b>PERCENT</b>	34.27%	33.17%	0.02%	2.01%	5.63%	0.19%	0.13%	24.58%	100.00%

Administrative Decisions by Board Members and Parole Commissioners

	NON-REVOCACTION				GO TO HEARING	REOPEN HEARING	PLACE IN NORMAL REVIEW	REVOKE	TOTAL ACTIONS
	CONTINUE SUPERVISION	TRANSFER TO ISF FACILITY	REPAROLE	SAFPF					
Aliseda, J.	563	507	2	14	43	9	3	309	1,450
Aycock, C.	972	991	0	110	18	0	2	641	2,734
Davis, C.	1,068	825	2	45	7	1	2	542	2,492
DeNoyelles, J.	1,097	1,150	0	49	27	8	5	776	3,112
Fordyce, T.	1,364	993	1	60	21	8	7	963	3,417
Freeman, P.	1,142	838	1	53	4	6	5	596	2,645
Garcia, R.	1,425	1,020	3	49	25	10	7	1,043	3,582
Gonzalez, J.	669	760	0	22	39	4	3	411	1,908
Hensarling, J.	1,148	1,310	0	52	16	11	1	825	3,363
Hightower, E.	1,236	1,564	0	38	15	1	3	1,122	3,979
Kiel, J.	1,110	1,175	0	47	33	9	5	796	3,175
Leeper, T.	534	344	1	21	6	1	1	281	1,189
Lorraine, B.	882	854	0	85	9	3	1	849	2,683
Morales, E.	1,367	1,351	1	43	89	20	9	1,048	3,928
Owens, R.	74	34	0	2	0	0	0	25	135
Poland, J.	1,291	1,358	0	176	21	0	3	934	3,783
Ruzicka, L.	1,258	1,081	0	104	14	3	4	1,032	3,496
Shipman, C.	1,195	1,220	2	148	29	3	3	761	3,361
Speier, C.	1,368	1,434	1	52	111	16	11	1,061	4,054
Thrasher, H.	1,227	1,530	0	36	17	3	3	1,116	3,932
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20,990</b>	<b>20,339</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1,206</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>15,131</b>	<b>58,418</b>

Parole Panels have various options in the revocation process such as send the offender to an ISF or SAFPF.

Decisions to Send the Offender to an ISF or SAFPF

	NUMBER OF CASES	PERCENT
New Conviction	3,073	28.75%
Law Violation No New Conviction	568	5.31%
Technical Only	7,048	65.94%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,689</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

See Appendix J for monthly data.

**NOTE: A "Technical Violation Only" is a violation of one or more conditions of release, not including the commission of a new offense. "New Offense" includes offenders who have pending felony or misdemeanor charges and possible technical violations at the time of revocation.**

The parole panel that reviews a revocation case decides whether the offender will continue on supervision, with or without modification of conditions of release. In the case of Erroneous Release, the panel can recommend that the offender be placed in the normal parole review process upon return to TDCJ-CID, parole if eligible (FI-1), or continue on existing release certificate.

Decisions to Continue Supervision or Place in Normal Review

	CASES	PERCENT
New Conviction	3,524	33.69%
Law Violation No New Conviction	1,727	16.51%
Technical Only	5,171	49.43%
Erroneous Release	39	0.37%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,461</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

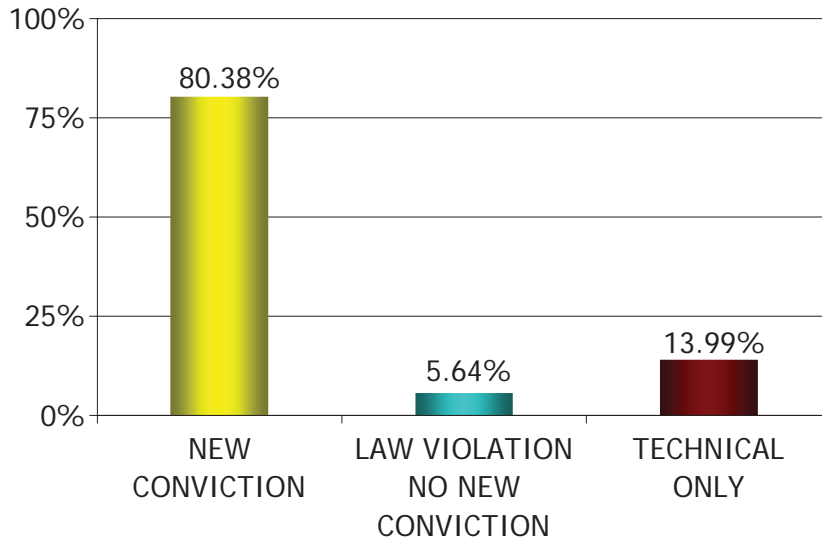
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History of Offenders Revoked by Grounds for Revocation  
FY 2005 - FY 2009

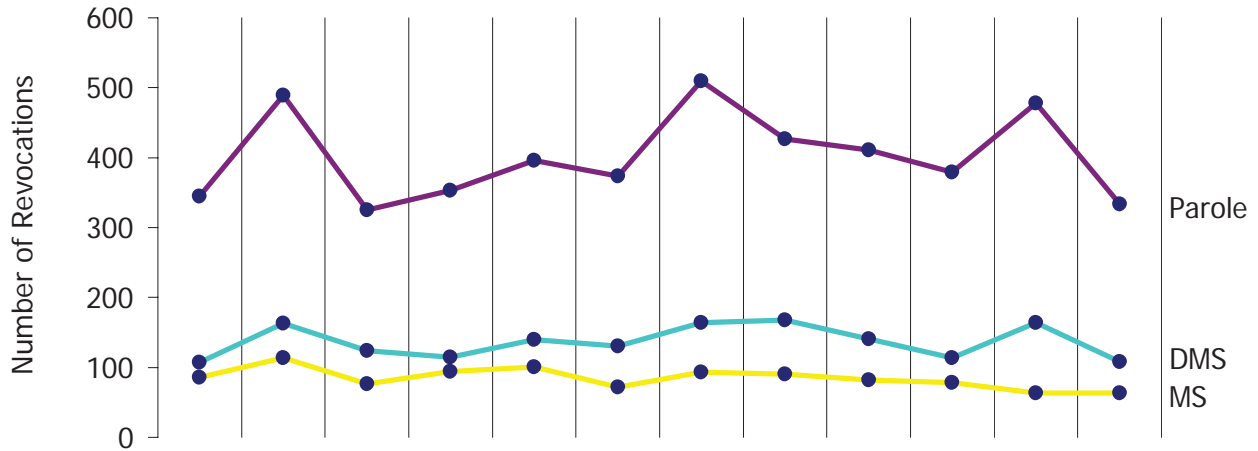
	NEW CONVICTION	LAW VIOLATION NO NEW CONVICTION	TECHNICAL ONLY	TOTAL
FY 2005	7,573	1,002	2,034	<b>10,609</b>
FY 2006	7,439	786	2,031	<b>10,256</b>
FY 2007	7,897	711	1,643	<b>10,251</b>
FY 2008	5,733	477	1,077	<b>7,287</b>
FY 2009	6,005	421	1,045	<b>7,471</b>

See Appendix L for monthly data.

Decisions to Revoke by Grounds for Revocation  
FY 2009



Revocations by Release Type - Parole/Mandatory Supervision  
Monthly Totals



	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	TOTAL
Parole	345	489	325	353	396	374	510	427	411	379	478	334	4,821
MS	86	114	76	94	101	72	93	90	82	78	63	63	1,012
DMS	107	163	124	115	140	130	164	168	141	114	164	108	1,638
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>7,471</b>

Decisions  
Waivers/Hearings Processed

	PREL	REV ONLY	PREL & REV SIMULTANEOUSLY	REOPEN HEARING/WAIVERS HEARINGS	TRANSMITTALS	TOTALS
<b>Total Waivers Processed</b>	59	9,458	3,251	N/A	N/A	<b>12,768*</b>
<b>Total Hearings Processed</b>	1,724	13,984	N/A	491	N/A	<b>16,199**</b>
<b>Transmittals***</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,563	<b>1,563</b>
<b>TOTAL WAIVERS/HEARINGS/TRANSMITTALS</b>	1,783	23,442	3,251	491	1,563	<b>30,530</b>

\* 6,799 Waivers were Subject to SB 880.

\*\* 11,135 Hearings were Subject to SB 880.

\*\*\* Cases transmitted to a parole panel for reconsideration subsequent to a decision resulting from a hearing or waiver.

The charts below reflect the processing time in number of days from the execution of the warrant to final parole panel disposition for those cases subject to SB 880. Information is also provided for cases not subject SB 880.

Waivers Subject to SB 880  
(Warrant Execution to Parole Panel Disposition)

	SB 880 PRELIMINARY			SB 880 REVOCATION			SB 880 BOTH		
	<40	>40	TOTAL	<40	>40	TOTAL	<40	>40	TOTAL
<b>FY 2009 TOTALS</b>	32	4	<b>36</b>	5,015	139	<b>5,154</b>	1,503	68	<b>1,571</b>

Waivers Not Subject to SB 880  
(Warrant Execution to Parole Panel Disposition)

	NON-SB 880 PRELIMINARY				NON-SB 880 REVOCATION				NON-SB 880 BOTH			
	<40	>40	OTHER ACTIONS	TOTAL	<40	>40	OTHER ACTIONS	TOTAL	<40	>40	OTHER ACTIONS	TOTAL
<b>FY 2009 TOTALS</b>	8	10	1	<b>19</b>	853	2,799	624	<b>4,276</b>	574	1,031	63	<b>1,668</b>

Hearings Subject to SB 880  
(Warrant Execution to Parole Panel Disposition)

FY 2009 TOTALS	SB 880 PRELIMINARY			SB 880 REVOCATION		
	<40	>40	TOTAL	<40	>40	TOTAL
	1,217	79	<b>1,296</b>	8,460	612	<b>9,072</b>

Hearings Not Subject to SB 880  
(Warrant Execution to Parole Panel Disposition)

FY 2009 TOTALS	NON-SB 880 PRELIMINARY				NON-SB 880 REVOCATION			
	<40	>40	OTHER ACTIONS	TOTAL	<40	>40	OTHER ACTIONS	TOTAL
	164	263	39	<b>466</b>	525	2,598	1,163	<b>4,286</b>

Continuances Subject to SB 880  
(Warrant Execution to Parole Panel Disposition)

FY 2009 TOTALS	SB 880 PRELIMINARY			SB 880 REVOCATION		
	<55	>55	TOTAL	<55	>55	TOTAL
	66	6	<b>72</b>	621	51	<b>672</b>

Continuances Not Subject to SB 880  
(Warrant Execution to Parole Panel Disposition)

FY 2009 TOTALS	NON-SB 880 PRELIMINARY				NON-SB 880 REVOCATION			
	<55	>55	OTHER ACTIONS	TOTAL	<55	>55	OTHER ACTIONS	TOTAL
	12	22	2	<b>36</b>	46	160	60	<b>266</b>

## CLEMENCY ACTIVITY

The Governor has the authority to grant executive clemency upon the written recommendation of a majority of the Board of Pardons and Paroles. Executive clemency includes:

- full pardons
- conditional pardons
- pardons based on innocence
- commutations of sentence

- emergency medical reprieves

In capital cases, the Board considers applications for commutation of sentence to life in prison and for a reprieve from execution. If the Board recommends clemency in a capital case, the governor may grant commutation or reprieve. The governor can also grant a one-time thirty-day reprieve of execution without a recommendation from the Board.

### Clemency Actions on Non-Capital Cases by the Board and the Governor

	CASES AT GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AT BEGINNING OF FY 2009	CASES CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD	CASES RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD	CASES GRANTED BY THE GOVERNOR	CASES DENIED BY THE GOVERNOR	CASES AT GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AT END OF FY 2009
Commutation of Sentence	0	1	0	0	0	0
Conditional Pardons	0	6	1*	0	0	1
Emergency Reprieves	0	16	2	0	2	0
Full Pardons	29	114	47	7	30	36
Restoration of Civil Rights	1	0	0	0	1	0
Full Pardons For Innocence	0	3	2	1	0	1
Capital Cases	0	18	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CASES	30	158	52	8	33	38

\* Board voted to continue Conditional Pardon on one case.

### Board Actions on Capital Cases

Board rules require that an application for clemency in a capital case be submitted in writing no later than twenty-one calendar days prior to the scheduled execution date. Supplemental information must be submitted at least fifteen days prior to the execution date.

Upon receipt of a clemency application from a death row inmate, the Clemency staff distributes the application and all supporting documentation to the Board Members.

In the 30 capital cases considered by the Board, the following actions were taken:

	CASES CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD	CASES RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD	CASES GRANTED BY THE GOVERNOR
Commutation of Sentence	17	0	0
Reprieves of Execution	11	0	0
Conditional Pardons	2	0	0
TOTAL CAPITAL CASE ACTIONS	30	0	0

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## SUPER INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM (SISP)

### Parole Panel Considerations

	PAROLE	MS	TOTAL
Considerations	8,478	4,334	<b>12,812</b>
Imposed	444	346	<b>790</b>

See Appendix M for monthly data of Population on SISP.

## PROFILE OF OFFENDERS CONSIDERED FOR SISP

### By SISP Eligibility Criteria

	CURRENT OFFENSE	PRIOR OFFENSE	GANG MEMBER	TOTAL
Considerations	8,658	4,150	4	<b>12,812</b>
Imposed	694	95	1	<b>790</b>

### By Gender and Race/Ethnicity

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	BLACK	WHITE	HISPANIC	OTHER	TOTAL
Considerations	12,074	738	12,812	5,119	3,569	4,061	63	<b>12,812</b>
Imposed	782	8	790	325	246	214	5	<b>790</b>

### By Age Group (Years)

	17-20	21-25	26-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61 +	TOTAL
Considerations	267	1,575	2,321	3,507	3,256	1,509	377	<b>12,812</b>
Imposed	26	46	55	174	270	171	48	<b>790</b>



By Offense Type

	VIOLENT NON-SEXUAL	VIOLENT SEXUAL	PROPERTY	DRUG	OTHER	OTHER SEXUAL	OTHER NON-SEXUAL	TOTAL
Considerations	10,503	1,054	326	38	223	624	40	12,808
Imposed	498	179	18	1	18	73	2	789

By Pending Release Type

	VIOLENT NON-SEXUAL	VIOLENT SEXUAL	PROPERTY	DRUG	OTHER	OTHER SEXUAL	OTHER NON-SEXUAL	TOTAL
Parole	332	85	7	0	2	17	1	444
MS	176	95	11	1	6	55	1	345
TOTAL	508	180	18	1	8	72	2	789

SISP Removal History

	REMOVED	DECEASED	DISCHARGED	REVOKED	OTHER REASON	TOTAL
Parole	143	5	121	72	1	342
MS	129	16	258	192	3	598
TOTAL	272	21	379	264*	4	940

\*This number is different from the number of revocations shown in the following table because the information is taken from the statistics of the TDCJ-Parole Division Warrant Section and captured at a later date.

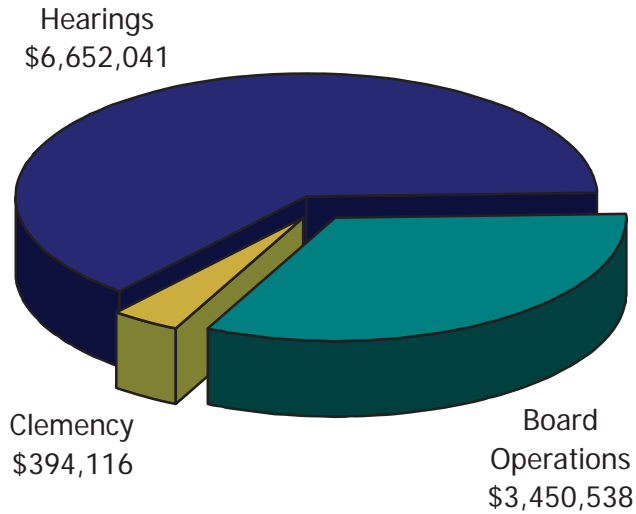
Revocations for Offenders on SISP

	ALLEGATIONS		SUSTAINED	
	TOTAL	PERCENT	TOTAL	PERCENT
New Conviction	99	37.22%	99	37.22%
Law Violation No New Conviction	17	6.39%	11	4.14%
Technical Only	150	56.39%	156	58.65%
TOTAL	266	100.00%	266	100.00%

# AGENCY EXPENDITURES

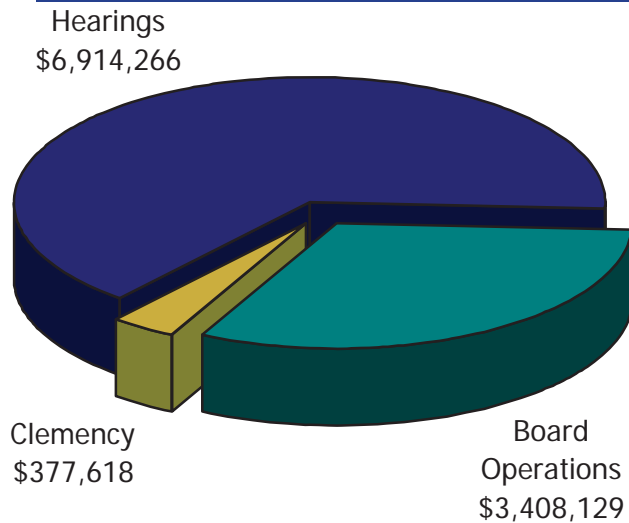
## FY 2009 BUDGET

<b>FY 2009 Budget - \$ 10,496,695</b>	
Hearings	\$ 6,652,041
Board Operations	\$ 3,450,538
Clemency	\$ 394,116



## FY 2009 EXPENDITURES (ACTUAL)

<b>FY 2009 Expenditures - \$ 10,700,013</b>	
Hearings	\$ 6,914,266
Board Operations	\$ 3,408,129
Clemency	\$ 377,618



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### Parole Considerations and Approval Rates by Offense Type Monthly Totals FY 2009

	Violent Aggravated Non-Sexual			Violent Aggravated Sexual			Violent Non-Aggravated Non-Sexual		
	CON	APP	APP RATE	CON	APP	APP RATE	CON	APP	APP RATE
SEP	785	159	20.25%	258	32	12.40%	1,025	177	17.27%
OCT	788	155	19.67%	338	75	22.19%	1,071	220	20.54%
NOV	699	132	18.88%	193	53	27.46%	924	186	20.13%
DEC	669	143	21.38%	338	31	9.17%	845	157	18.58%
JAN	526	133	25.29%	170	28	16.47%	706	136	19.26%
FEB	698	150	21.49%	276	33	11.96%	998	177	17.74%
MAR	804	211	26.24%	337	84	24.93%	1,124	219	19.48%
APR	1,092	278	25.46%	310	61	19.68%	1,428	348	24.37%
MAY	1,068	277	25.94%	324	60	18.52%	1,217	268	22.02%
JUN	1,049	326	31.08%	411	133	32.36%	1,274	318	24.96%
JUL	1,181	322	27.27%	383	101	26.37%	1,554	340	21.88%
AUG	988	227	22.98%	370	104	28.11%	1,236	256	20.71%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>10,347</b>	<b>2,513</b>	<b>24.29%</b>	<b>3,708</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>21.44%</b>	<b>13,402</b>	<b>2,802</b>	<b>20.91%</b>

	Non-Aggravated Sexual			Non-Violent			TOTALS		
	CON	APP	APP RATE	CON	APP	APP RATE	CON	APP	APP RATE
SEP	223	27	12.11%	3,832	1,347	35.15%	6,123	1,742	28.45%
OCT	218	34	15.60%	3,898	1,351	34.66%	6,313	1,835	29.07%
NOV	149	15	10.07%	3,378	1,129	33.42%	5,343	1,515	28.35%
DEC	179	18	10.06%	2,756	1,019	36.97%	4,787	1,368	28.58%
JAN	152	24	15.79%	2,648	883	33.35%	4,202	1,204	28.65%
FEB	178	18	10.11%	3,514	1,287	36.62%	5,664	1,665	29.40%
MAR	210	33	15.71%	3,835	1,368	35.67%	6,310	1,915	30.35%
APR	298	53	17.79%	4,951	1,856	37.49%	8,079	2,596	32.13%
MAY	229	51	22.27%	4,123	1,466	35.56%	6,961	2,122	30.48%
JUN	235	59	25.11%	4,184	1,648	39.39%	7,153	2,484	34.73%
JUL	352	79	22.44%	5,183	1,869	36.06%	8,653	2,711	31.33%
AUG	272	50	18.38%	4,153	1,388	33.42%	7,019	2,025	28.85%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2,695</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>17.11%</b>	<b>46,455</b>	<b>16,611</b>	<b>35.76%</b>	<b>76,607</b>	<b>23,182</b>	<b>30.26%</b>

## APPENDIX B

### Parole Considerations by Board Members and Parole Commissioners Monthly Totals FY 2009

	ALISEDA, J.		AYCOCK, C.		DAVIS, C.		DENOYELLES, J.		FORDYCE, T.	
	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE
SEP	631	31.22%	911	26.02%	794	31.99%	778	30.98%	728	26.37%
OCT	557	32.85%	745	31.95%	1,001	34.87%	766	26.24%	769	26.01%
NOV	607	29.49%	663	30.92%	539	40.82%	601	27.79%	411	31.14%
DEC	533	23.45%	676	27.96%	746	35.12%	770	23.25%	685	33.72%
JAN	403	32.01%	587	27.09%	539	35.62%	545	27.89%	418	26.32%
FEB	573	30.37%	691	31.11%	814	35.38%	652	25.31%	707	29.56%
MAR	836	33.01%	666	35.59%	1,194	36.35%	843	28.23%	461	31.45%
APR	659	32.32%	728	28.02%	1,155	36.88%	745	28.59%	1,119	31.55%
MAY	525	29.33%	931	30.08%	832	36.91%	755	32.05%	904	29.87%
JUN	394	29.95%	1,096	34.67%	829	50.90%	1,152	34.03%	440	44.77%
JUL	64	51.56%	1,172	32.59%	1,098	41.80%	970	28.97%	1,148	31.27%
AUG	18	66.67%	767	34.68%	1,231	34.04%	1,120	30.36%	809	27.56%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>5,800</b>	<b>30.91%</b>	<b>9,633</b>	<b>31.06%</b>	<b>10,872</b>	<b>37.43%</b>	<b>9,697</b>	<b>28.99%</b>	<b>8,599</b>	<b>30.43%</b>

	FREEMAN, P.		GARCIA, R.		GONZALEZ, J.		HENSARLING, J.		HIGHTOWER, E.	
	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE
SEP	328	30.18%	730	25.75%	892	27.69%	857	27.19%	793	36.32%
OCT	565	27.96%	718	24.37%	910	30.22%	633	31.44%	687	36.83%
NOV	423	18.68%	466	31.55%	780	31.92%	616	27.27%	770	37.01%
DEC	266	26.32%	593	37.77%	708	35.59%	628	24.84%	502	34.66%
JAN	263	26.62%	388	31.19%	594	37.37%	560	25.00%	514	30.35%
FEB	440	31.36%	643	33.59%	829	37.88%	655	22.90%	791	27.81%
MAR	401	28.68%	545	36.33%	1,017	38.35%	799	22.90%	660	26.67%
APR	749	27.64%	1,029	32.26%	1,128	37.15%	951	31.86%	963	33.85%
MAY	672	31.40%	778	35.60%	480	28.75%	779	32.48%	984	24.59%
JUN	1,096	39.87%	476	39.29%	1,167	40.87%	810	29.63%	783	33.33%
JUL	783	33.33%	1,362	30.76%	856	36.10%	733	29.88%	1,485	29.23%
AUG	688	29.07%	938	23.56%	1,267	37.17%	633	27.96%	1,050	23.71%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>6,674</b>	<b>30.64%</b>	<b>8,666</b>	<b>31.21%</b>	<b>10,628</b>	<b>35.41%</b>	<b>8,654</b>	<b>27.98%</b>	<b>9,982</b>	<b>30.70%</b>

## APPENDIX B (Continued)

Parole Considerations by Board Members and Parole Commissioners  
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	KIEL, J.		LEEPER, T.		LORRAINE, B.		MORALES, E.		OWENS, R.	
	915	29.51%	0	0.00%	620	36.13%	507	37.67%	69	68.12%
	670	31.94%	0	0.00%	1,296	30.94%	792	38.64%	79	73.42%
	544	29.41%	0	0.00%	672	29.61%	798	36.47%	46	93.48%
	565	30.97%	0	0.00%	538	23.61%	538	34.76%	39	56.41%
	565	27.43%	0	0.00%	487	28.75%	458	38.43%	45	73.33%
	667	26.99%	0	0.00%	806	29.78%	426	36.15%	31	90.32%
	799	25.91%	0	0.00%	960	33.75%	636	39.31%	75	94.67%
	890	33.60%	0	0.00%	1,077	32.50%	945	36.93%	32	100.00%
	750	33.33%	0	0.00%	997	31.49%	874	37.30%	27	88.89%
	646	28.64%	419	40.10%	361	40.17%	998	35.77%	149	81.88%
	769	23.54%	1,166	36.28%	43	74.42%	1,323	35.37%	374	47.59%
	902	28.05%	970	27.32%	6	83.33%	654	35.17%	136	84.56%
	<b>8,682</b>	<b>29.13%</b>	<b>2,555</b>	<b>33.50%</b>	<b>7,863</b>	<b>31.81%</b>	<b>8,949</b>	<b>36.71%</b>	<b>1,102</b>	<b>70.15%</b>

	POLAND, J.		RUZICKA, L.		SHIPMAN, C.		SPEIER, C.		THRASHER, H.	
	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE
SEP	779	22.85%	296	37.84%	843	19.57%	644	38.98%	825	27.76%
OCT	620	21.77%	596	33.22%	613	20.23%	780	39.23%	646	22.14%
NOV	694	22.33%	481	29.11%	627	18.18%	756	37.17%	810	21.48%
DEC	590	24.75%	445	27.64%	442	17.19%	569	35.50%	536	25.19%
JAN	601	25.29%	447	32.21%	507	21.30%	478	35.36%	526	32.89%
FEB	745	24.43%	862	33.64%	597	21.78%	441	39.68%	711	27.71%
MAR	706	23.09%	982	34.01%	630	18.41%	632	38.77%	778	32.78%
APR	1,216	28.54%	1,066	35.74%	825	30.55%	927	35.28%	896	31.58%
MAY	878	25.97%	865	36.42%	820	23.66%	840	36.19%	933	26.47%
JUN	951	29.02%	1,030	39.81%	828	27.66%	864	40.74%	1,134	30.25%
JUL	1,047	27.89%	534	43.07%	1,015	24.14%	1,260	36.67%	1,148	23.08%
AUG	814	27.52%	804	40.55%	774	25.58%	470	38.51%	1,045	20.77%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>9,641</b>	<b>25.70%</b>	<b>8,408</b>	<b>35.72%</b>	<b>8,521</b>	<b>22.90%</b>	<b>8,661</b>	<b>37.58%</b>	<b>9,988</b>	<b>26.64%</b>

## APPENDIX C

### Parole Approval Types Monthly Totals FY 2009

	FI-1	FI-2	FI-3R	FI-4	FI-4R	FI-5	FI-6R	FI-7R	FI-18R	CU-FI	TOTALS
SEP	590	226	354	19	14	217	283	5	22	12	<b>1,742</b>
OCT	551	263	410	5	56	237	273	3	33	4	<b>1,835</b>
NOV	453	219	363	5	32	193	216	5	21	8	<b>1,515</b>
DEC	459	177	304	2	27	163	206	5	10	15	<b>1,368</b>
JAN	453	166	249	2	20	144	141	3	16	10	<b>1,204</b>
FEB	604	189	400	7	18	201	210	2	23	11	<b>1,665</b>
MAR	721	220	416	3	56	227	223	2	31	16	<b>1,915</b>
APR	856	398	557	13	68	271	382	7	30	14	<b>2,596</b>
MAY	799	311	431	6	45	201	268	5	37	19	<b>2,122</b>
JUN	934	443	474	3	92	182	270	10	55	21	<b>2,484</b>
JUL	1,166	517	422	6	82	204	238	5	48	23	<b>2,711</b>
AUG	806	418	298	7	68	169	178	10	53	18	<b>2,025</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>8,392</b>	<b>3,547</b>	<b>4,678</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>2,409</b>	<b>2,888</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>23,182</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>36.20%</b>	<b>15.30%</b>	<b>20.18%</b>	<b>0.34%</b>	<b>2.49%</b>	<b>10.39%</b>	<b>12.46%</b>	<b>0.27%</b>	<b>1.63%</b>	<b>0.74%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## APPENDIX D

### Parole Considerations for Offenders Serving Consecutive Sentences Monthly Totals FY 2009

	PAROLE FROM CID			PAROLE-IN-ABSENTIA			TOTAL		
	CASES CON	CASES APP	APP RATE	CASES CON	CASES APP	APP RATE	CASES CON	CASES APP	APP RATE
SEP	62	12	19.35%	1	0	0.00%	63	12	19.05%
OCT	65	4	6.15%	3	1	33.33%	68	5	7.35%
NOV	56	7	12.50%	2	0	0.00%	58	7	12.07%
DEC	70	15	21.43%	1	0	0.00%	71	15	21.13%
JAN	52	10	19.23%	2	0	0.00%	54	10	18.52%
FEB	59	11	18.64%	6	0	0.00%	65	11	16.92%
MAR	84	16	19.05%	4	1	25.00%	88	17	19.32%
APR	98	14	14.29%	4	0	0.00%	102	14	13.73%
MAY	93	18	19.35%	2	1	50.00%	95	19	20.00%
JUN	101	21	20.79%	25	3	12.00%	126	24	19.05%
JUL	112	22	19.64%	0	0	0.00%	112	22	19.64%
AUG	86	18	20.93%	0	0	0.00%	86	18	20.93%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>17.91%</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12.00%</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>17.61%</b>

## APPENDIX E

### DMS Considerations and Approval Rates by Offense Type Monthly Totals FY 2009

	Violent Aggravated Non-Sexual			Violent Aggravated Sexual			Violent Non-Aggravated Non-Sexual		
	CON	APP	APP RATE	CON	APP	APP RATE	CON	APP	APP RATE
SEP	0	0	0.00%	3	1	33.33%	293	80	27.30%
OCT	0	0	0.00%	1	0	0.00%	316	93	29.43%
NOV	1	0	0.00%	3	0	0.00%	233	61	26.18%
DEC	0	0	0.00%	3	0	0.00%	327	97	29.66%
JAN	1	1	100.00%	3	1	33.33%	335	114	34.03%
FEB	0	0	0.00%	3	0	0.00%	286	79	27.62%
MAR	0	0	0.00%	2	1	50.00%	306	97	31.70%
APR	0	0	0.00%	3	0	0.00%	306	111	36.27%
MAY	0	0	0.00%	2	0	0.00%	339	135	39.82%
JUN	1	1	100.00%	4	2	50.00%	309	117	37.86%
JUL	1	0	0.00%	3	0	0.00%	327	129	39.45%
AUG	0	0	0.00%	2	1	50.00%	300	85	28.33%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>50.00%</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>18.75%</b>	<b>3,677</b>	<b>1,198</b>	<b>32.58%</b>

	Non-Aggravated Sexual			Non-Violent			TOTALS		
	CON	APP	APP RATE	CON	APP	APP RATE	CON	APP	APP RATE
SEP	53	9	16.98%	1,251	666	53.24%	1,600	756	47.25%
OCT	37	8	21.62%	1,279	670	52.38%	1,633	771	47.21%
NOV	38	6	15.79%	1,131	606	53.58%	1,406	673	47.87%
DEC	43	10	23.26%	1,281	669	52.22%	1,654	776	46.92%
JAN	37	8	21.62%	1,251	642	51.32%	1,627	766	47.08%
FEB	28	6	21.43%	1,030	529	51.36%	1,347	614	45.58%
MAR	38	4	10.53%	1,196	634	53.01%	1,542	736	47.73%
APR	31	4	12.90%	1,218	680	55.83%	1,558	795	51.03%
MAY	52	21	40.38%	1,188	622	52.36%	1,581	778	49.21%
JUN	41	12	29.27%	1,126	620	55.06%	1,481	752	50.78%
JUL	48	16	33.33%	1,257	679	54.02%	1,636	824	50.37%
AUG	50	11	22.00%	1,137	619	54.44%	1,489	716	48.09%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>23.19%</b>	<b>14,345</b>	<b>7,636</b>	<b>53.23%</b>	<b>18,554</b>	<b>8,957</b>	<b>48.28%</b>



## APPENDIX F

### DMS Considerations by Board Members and Parole Commissioners Monthly Totals FY 2009

	ALISEDA, J.		AYCOCK, C.		DAVIS, C.		DENOYELLES, J.		FORDYCE, T.	
	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE
SEP	149	58.39%	150	40.00%	156	35.26%	150	57.33%	189	31.22%
OCT	86	48.84%	156	35.90%	204	49.02%	155	38.06%	174	34.48%
NOV	134	44.78%	95	38.95%	147	39.46%	92	53.26%	164	37.80%
DEC	144	46.53%	149	50.34%	147	31.97%	163	47.85%	188	32.45%
JAN	120	52.50%	179	45.81%	200	36.50%	132	46.21%	210	36.19%
FEB	118	60.17%	126	42.86%	166	31.93%	113	51.33%	144	28.47%
MAR	134	67.16%	133	47.37%	378	37.57%	111	48.65%	92	25.00%
APR	103	56.31%	85	35.29%	180	38.33%	130	46.15%	147	46.26%
MAY	56	46.43%	137	49.64%	191	36.13%	146	52.05%	192	35.42%
JUN	49	55.10%	157	52.23%	110	44.55%	214	60.75%	96	42.71%
JUL	2	0.18%	183	49.73%	171	54.97%	142	47.18%	175	34.29%
AUG	0	0.00%	128	43.75%	170	50.00%	150	58.67%	129	29.46%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>53.97%</b>	<b>1,678</b>	<b>44.93%</b>	<b>2,220</b>	<b>40.27%</b>	<b>1,698</b>	<b>51.00%</b>	<b>1,900</b>	<b>34.58%</b>

	FREEMAN, P.		GARCIA, R.		GONZALEZ, J.		HENSARLING, J.		HIGHTOWER, E.	
	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE
SEP	85	60.00%	187	32.09%	320	39.06%	201	49.75%	334	52.69%
OCT	102	49.02%	181	43.09%	307	44.30%	180	39.44%	331	49.85%
NOV	109	49.54%	118	37.29%	234	54.27%	176	45.45%	303	58.42%
DEC	94	40.43%	167	43.11%	334	55.09%	170	48.24%	290	58.28%
JAN	95	60.00%	223	43.50%	260	53.46%	145	45.52%	250	50.40%
FEB	130	42.31%	160	36.25%	276	54.35%	122	39.34%	271	53.51%
MAR	119	61.34%	168	39.29%	292	48.63%	131	43.51%	205	52.68%
APR	144	57.64%	152	40.13%	333	64.56%	155	48.39%	286	54.55%
MAY	153	53.59%	192	45.83%	205	57.07%	165	45.45%	319	52.66%
JUN	179	56.98%	127	51.97%	135	51.85%	139	46.04%	279	56.27%
JUL	131	40.46%	199	50.25%	139	52.52%	134	51.49%	441	53.74%
AUG	144	42.36%	147	40.82%	215	57.21%	107	48.60%	390	48.97%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,485</b>	<b>51.11%</b>	<b>2,021</b>	<b>42.06%</b>	<b>3,050</b>	<b>52.49%</b>	<b>1,825</b>	<b>45.97%</b>	<b>3,699</b>	<b>53.39%</b>

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**KIEL, J.                      LEEPER, T.                      LORRAINE, B.                      MORALES, E.                      OWENS, R.**

SEP	165	49.09%	0	0.00%	193	60.62%	92	46.74%	0	0.00%
OCT	133	53.38%	0	0.00%	215	53.02%	166	60.24%	0	0.00%
NOV	142	40.14%	0	0.00%	161	54.04%	156	51.28%	0	0.00%
DEC	150	50.00%	0	0.00%	163	39.26%	213	54.93%	8	37.50%
JAN	163	52.15%	0	0.00%	172	39.53%	164	57.32%	0	0.00%
FEB	119	53.78%	0	0.00%	158	38.61%	120	50.00%	0	0.00%
MAR	136	45.59%	0	0.00%	208	47.60%	142	52.82%	0	0.00%
APR	167	50.30%	0	0.00%	180	37.22%	146	52.74%	0	0.00%
MAY	140	45.71%	0	0.00%	152	41.45%	196	54.59%	1	100.00%
JUN	136	53.68%	142	47.18%	4	50.00%	254	40.55%	5	60.00%
JUL	185	52.43%	198	42.42%	0	0.00%	216	48.15%	40	60.00%
AUG	158	47.47%	218	39.45%	0	0.00%	84	54.76%	3	66.67%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,794</b>	<b>49.50%</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>42.47%</b>	<b>1,606</b>	<b>46.20%</b>	<b>1,949</b>	<b>51.62%</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>57.89%</b>

**POLAND, J.                      RUZICKA, L.                      SHIPMAN, C.                      SPEIER, C.                      THRASHER, H.**

SEP	164	42.68%	108	59.26%	183	46.45%	138	59.42%	290	48.62%
OCT	164	40.85%	113	56.64%	168	39.29%	166	66.87%	310	49.03%
NOV	164	40.24%	151	53.64%	104	42.31%	124	58.06%	275	48.00%
DEC	206	43.69%	188	40.96%	145	30.34%	211	55.92%	250	51.20%
JAN	208	43.75%	224	45.98%	168	45.83%	163	59.51%	266	51.50%
FEB	144	34.72%	171	43.86%	112	44.64%	116	62.07%	217	50.69%
MAR	151	36.42%	225	59.11%	146	39.04%	147	55.78%	238	54.62%
APR	211	48.82%	201	51.24%	151	53.64%	143	55.94%	288	53.82%
MAY	193	54.92%	200	57.00%	182	50.00%	190	60.53%	254	46.85%
JUN	179	51.96%	175	58.29%	133	49.62%	148	52.03%	377	42.97%
JUL	175	49.71%	137	63.50%	120	48.33%	223	61.43%	335	43.88%
AUG	154	51.95%	163	52.76%	158	50.00%	138	55.80%	388	45.62%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2,113</b>	<b>45.34%</b>	<b>2,056</b>	<b>52.97%</b>	<b>1,770</b>	<b>45.08%</b>	<b>1,907</b>	<b>58.73%</b>	<b>3,488</b>	<b>48.45%</b>

## APPENDIX G

MRIS Considerations  
by Board Members and Parole Commissioners  
Monthly Totals FY 2009

	DAVIS, C.		FORDYCE, T.		GARCIA, R.		OWENS, R.	
	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE	TOTAL VOTES	APP RATE
SEP	1	100.00%	1	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
OCT	1	100.00%	0	0.00%	1	100.00%	0	0.00%
NOV	2	100.00%	3	100.00%	1	100.00%	0	0.00%
DEC	1	100.00%	3	100.00%	4	100.00%	0	0.00%
JAN	2	100.00%	1	100.00%	1	100.00%	0	0.00%
FEB	5	100.00%	5	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
MAR	9	100.00%	6	100.00%	9	100.00%	0	0.00%
APR	3	100.00%	2	100.00%	5	100.00%	0	0.00%
MAY	1	100.00%	2	100.00%	3	100.00%	0	0.00%
JUN	0	0.00%	4	100.00%	4	100.00%	2	100.00%
JUL	0	0.00%	2	100.00%	2	100.00%	0	0.00%
AUG	0	0.00%	2	100.00%	1	100.00%	1	100.00%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## APPENDIX H

MRIS Panel Considerations  
Monthly Totals FY 2009

	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	TOTALS
CON	2	2	6	8	4	10	24	10	6	10	4	4	<b>90</b>
APP	2	2	6	8	4	10	24	10	6	10	4	4	<b>90</b>
APP RATE	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
DEN RATE	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

## APPENDIX I

### Allegations Presented for Administrative Decisions Monthly Totals FY 2009

	NEW CONVICTION (Felony or Misdemeanor)	LAW VIOLATION NO NEW CONVICTION	TECHNICAL VIOLATION ONLY	ERRONEOUS RELEASE	TOTALS
SEP	902	349	1,109	1	2,361
OCT	1,224	399	1,409	0	3,032
NOV	884	276	915	4	2,079
DEC	1,050	298	953	4	2,305
JAN	1,102	320	1,156	5	2,583
FEB	980	287	977	5	2,249
MAR	1,291	386	1,108	0	2,785
APR	1,242	378	1,166	2	2,788
MAY	1,054	316	1,046	4	2,420
JUN	991	371	1,102	3	2,467
JUL	1,220	431	1,343	6	3,000
AUG	914	321	1,079	6	2,320
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>12,854</b>	<b>4,132</b>	<b>13,363</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>30,389</b>

## APPENDIX J

### Decision to Send the Offender to an ISF or SAFPF Monthly Totals FY 2009

	NEW CONVICTION	LAW VIOLATION NO NEW CONVICTION	TECHNICAL ONLY	TOTALS
SEP	230	52	596	878
OCT	297	65	726	1,088
NOV	209	50	487	746
DEC	276	39	501	816
JAN	250	38	640	928
FEB	226	38	502	766
MAR	296	39	605	940
APR	297	62	629	988
MAY	254	42	555	851
JUN	241	41	614	896
JUL	287	67	680	1,034
AUG	210	35	513	758
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3,073</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>7,048</b>	<b>10,689</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>28.75%</b>	<b>5.31%</b>	<b>65.94%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## APPENDIX K

### Decisions to Continue Supervision or Place in Normal Review Monthly Totals FY 2009

	NEW CONVICTION	LAW VIOLATION NO NEW CONVICTION	TECHNICAL ONLY	ERRONEOUS RELEASE	TOTALS
SEP	240	133	406	1	780
OCT	294	173	557	0	1,024
NOV	225	120	349	4	698
DEC	291	130	367	3	791
JAN	323	136	415	5	879
FEB	266	115	396	5	782
MAR	344	166	405	0	915
APR	369	161	441	2	973
MAY	261	122	405	4	792
JUN	273	156	404	3	836
JUL	355	171	544	6	1,076
AUG	283	144	482	6	915
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3,524</b>	<b>1,727</b>	<b>5,171</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>10,461</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>33.69%</b>	<b>16.51%</b>	<b>49.43%</b>	<b>0.37%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## APPENDIX L

### Offenders Revoked by Grounds for Revocation Monthly Totals FY 2009

	NEW CONVICTION	LAW VIOLATION NO NEW CONVICTION	TECHNICAL ONLY	TOTALS
SEP	411	37	90	538
OCT	612	38	116	766
NOV	430	20	75	525
DEC	458	32	72	562
JAN	504	40	93	637
FEB	464	41	71	576
MAR	625	46	96	767
APR	554	40	91	685
MAY	525	29	80	634
JUN	462	36	73	571
JUL	563	33	109	705
AUG	397	29	79	505
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>6,005</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>1,045</b>	<b>7,471</b>
<b>PERCENT</b>	<b>80.38%</b>	<b>5.64%</b>	<b>13.99%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

# APPENDIX M

Population on SISP  
Monthly Totals FY 2009

	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG
SISP	1,501	1,499	1,533	1,540	1,537	1,531	1,524	1,526	1,542	1,536	1,507	1,500

## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

### Blue Warrant

– Arrest warrant issued by the TDCJ-Parole Division when an offender is alleged to have committed a new offense, absconded from supervision, or violated any rules, terms, or conditions of supervision. Law enforcement authorities execute blue warrants, and the offender is detained pending a disposition.

### Board

– Refers to the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles.

### CID

– See Correctional Institutions Division.

### Clemency

–The power of the Governor to grant a full or conditional pardon, reprieve of execution of a death sentence, commutation of a sentence, commutation of a death sentence, emergency reprieve for medical reasons, reprieve to attend civil court proceedings, or a reprieve of jail sentence. Clemency must be recommended in writing by a majority of the Board and approved by the Governor.

### Commutation of Sentence

– A reduction of the penalty assessed by the court. Under the rules of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, a commutation of sentence must be supported by a majority of the applicant’s trial officials, recommended in writing by a majority vote of the Board, and granted by the Governor.

### Conditional Pardon

– A pardon that releases the offender from confinement, subject to certain conditions. The conditional pardon may be used to request the release of an offender to another country or to immigration officials for deportation. A conditional pardon does not restore civil rights or the rights of citizenship and can be revoked by the Board upon a showing that any of the conditions imposed were violated.

### Correctional Institutions Division

– The Correctional Institutions Division (CID) is responsible for the confinement of adult felony offenders who are sentenced to prison.

### CUFI

– Designates the date on which an offender serving consecutive or cumulative sentences will satisfy the current sentence and begin to serve the next sentence in the series. The cause number on the approved sentence will be indicated in the vote.

### CUNR

– A parole panel denial of favorable parole action in a consecutive sentence case, which sets the specified cause number for next review during a future specified month and year.

### CUSA

– Consecutive felony sentence vote to deny parole and not release the offender until the serve-all date.

### Deny Mandatory Supervision

– A parole panel decision to deny mandatory supervision release if the panel concludes that the offender’s accrued good time is not an accurate reflection of the offender’s potential for rehabilitation and the offender’s release would endanger the public. It applies to those offenders with mandatory release-eligible offenses committed on or after September 1, 1996.

### Discretionary Mandatory Supervision (DMS)

– A form of release that applies to certain offenders who are incarcerated for an offense committed on or after September 1, 1996 and are eligible for release on mandatory supervision. Those offenders must be approved by a parole panel for mandatory supervision release. See also HB 1433.

### DMS

– See Discretionary Mandatory Supervision.

### Emergency Reprieve

– A form of executive clemency whereby an offender may be temporarily released from prison for a specific reason, including but not limited to, the medical condition of the offender or a family member. A reprieve must be recommended by a majority of the Board and approved by the Governor.

## **FI**

– See Further Investigation.

## **Fiscal Year (FY)**

– The Board's fiscal year runs from September 1<sup>st</sup> of one year through August 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year.

## **Full Pardon Request**

– A request by an offender for a full pardon of an offense. The full pardon restores certain citizenship rights forfeited by law as the result of a criminal conviction. Citizenship rights can include the right to vote, the right to serve on a jury, and the right to hold public office. In Texas and many other states, voting rights are automatically restored when an offender discharges a felony sentence, even without a pardon, provided that the offender is otherwise eligible to register.

A full pardon will remove barriers to some, but not all types of employment and professional licensing. However, since licenses are granted at the discretion of the state licensing boards of each profession, it is advisable to contact such boards directly. A pardon will not restore eligibility to become a licensed peace officer in Texas.

A full pardon does not have the legal effect of expunging a criminal record.

## **Further Investigation (FI)**

– An initial determination by a parole panel favorable to the parole release of an offender, pending further investigation. Favorable voting options are: FI-1, FI-2, FI-3R, FI-4, FI-4R, FI-5, FI-6R, FI-7R, FI-18R, and CUFI.

## **House Bill 1112 (HB 1112)**

– The law passed during the 75<sup>th</sup> Legislature that reduced the hearing process for certain parole violators from 120 days to 60 days and became effective January 1, 1998.

## **House Bill 1433 (HB 1433)**

– The law passed during the 74<sup>th</sup> Legislature that requires parole panels review scheduled mandatory supervision releases for offenders with offenses committed on or after September 1, 1996. Specifically, a parole panel may deny mandatory supervision releases on a case-by-case basis when it determines that an offender's good conduct time does not accurately reflect the potential for rehabilitation and that the offender's release would endanger the public. See also Discretionary Mandatory Supervision.

## **In-Prison Therapeutic Community (IPTC)**

– Composed of offenders designated by a parole panel to participate in this intensive substance abuse treatment program. The IPTC programs are housed in TDCJ-CID units located at Halbert and Kyle. As a condition of release from an IPTC, an offender is required to participate in an Aftercare Program at a Transitional Treatment Center (TTC).

## **Intermediate Sanction Facility (ISF)**

– A secure facility under contract with or operated by TDCJ that serves as a confinement alternative for offenders under active supervision who have violated one or more release conditions but have no pending charges. An ISF provides an effective addition to the range of sanctions available for parole supervision.

## **ISF**

– See Intermediate Sanction Facility.

## **Mandatory Supervision (MS)**

– The release by law of an eligible offender, sentenced to the TDCJ-CID, when calendar time served plus good conduct time credit equals the length of the sentence. The amount of good conduct time credits determines the length of time the offender serves under the supervision of the TDCJ-Parole Division.

## **Medically Recommended Intensive Supervision (MRIS) Program**

– Under this program, release is considered by a parole panel for offenders who are mentally ill, mentally retarded, elderly, terminally ill, physically handicapped, or require long-term care. Release may be granted at any point of an offender's sentence, provided a parole panel determines that, based on the offender's condition and a medical evaluation, the offender does not constitute a threat to public safety or a threat to commit an offense.

## **MRIS**

– See Medically Recommended Intensive Supervision.

## **MS**

– See Mandatory Supervision.

## **Next Review (NR) Date**

– A parole panel decision to deny parole and to set a new date for review between one and five years, depending on the offense.



## **Offender**

– A person incarcerated in the Texas prison system, other penal institution or jail, or a person released to parole or mandatory supervision.

## **Pardon**

– A form of executive clemency that absolves an individual from the legal consequences of their crime and conviction. A pardon must be recommended in writing by the majority of the Board and granted by the Governor.

## **Pardon for Innocence**

– A pardon based on innocence granted by the Governor upon the written recommendation of a majority of the Board.

## **Parole**

– The discretionary and conditional release of an eligible offender sentenced to the TDCJ-CID to serve the remainder of the sentence under the supervision of the TDCJ-Parole Division.

## **Parole in Absentia (PIA)**

– The release of an offender, eligible for parole or mandatory supervision, serving a Texas sentence in an institution other than Texas state prison, i.e., an out-of-state prison, federal facility, or municipal or county jail.

## **Parole Panel**

– A three-member panel consisting of at least one Board Member and any combination of Board Members and Parole Commissioners.

## **PIA**

– See Parole in Absentia.

## **PPT**

– See Pre-Parole Transfer Facility.

## **Pre-Parole Transfer (PPT) Facility**

– A secure, community-based pre-parole facility used for housing offenders who are nearing their mandatory supervision release date or have been given an FI-4 approval vote. Offenders may be transferred to a PPT facility pursuant to the recommendation of a parole panel or at the discretion of the TDCJ-Parole Division after appropriate screening. Those offenders who successfully complete the pre-parole program are released to parole or mandatory supervision upon reaching their specified release date.

## **Release to Mandatory Supervision (RMS)**

– A decision by a parole panel to release an offender to mandatory supervision under the provisions of HB 1433 (discretionary mandatory supervision law).

## **Reprieve**

– A delay of or temporary suspension of punishment. Offenders who are terminally ill or require medical treatment unavailable within TDCJ but are ineligible for MRIS may seek an emergency medical reprieve. Offenders may also seek a family medical reprieve to attend to critically ill relatives. As with other forms of clemency, a written recommendation from a majority of the Board and a final decision from the Governor are necessary for granting of a reprieve. When the time allowed on reprieve has elapsed, the offender must return to prison unless an additional reprieve is granted. Emergency reprieve requests to attend funerals or visit critically ill relatives are not handled through the executive clemency process, since prison officials have the authority to grant eligible offenders short-term furloughs for such special situations. In death penalty cases, the Governor may grant a reprieve for any period of time (in 30-day increments) upon recommendation of a majority of the Board. Under the Texas Constitution, the governor has the power to grant a one-time, 30-day reprieve without the recommendation of the Board.

## **Restoration of Civil Rights**

– A form of pardon that restores all civil rights under the laws of this state that an offender forfeits when convicted of a federal offense, except as specifically provided in the certificate of restoration (Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, §48.05 - Restoration of Civil Rights). An offender may apply for restoration of civil rights after they have completed their sentence, if they were convicted three or more years before the date of application, and if they have no other conviction under the laws of this state, another state, or the United States.

## **Revocation**

– A parole panel decision to return an offender to the custody of the TDCJ-CID because the offender has violated the terms or conditions of release, committed a new crime, or both.

## **RMS**

– See Release to Mandatory Supervision.

## **SA**

– See Serve-All.

## **SAFPF**

– See Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility.

## **Senate Bill 45 (SB 45)**

– The law passed during the 74<sup>th</sup> Legislature that requires a two-thirds affirmative vote of the Board Members to parole offenders with certain capital felony and sex offense convictions.

## **Senate Bill 880 (SB 880)**

- The law passed during the 78<sup>th</sup> Legislature that reduced the hearing process for certain parole violators from 60 to 41 days and became effective January 1, 2004.

## **Serve-All (SA)**

– A Serve-All vote means an offender is denied parole and that no further parole reviews will be scheduled on the current sentence. In no event, shall a serve-all be utilized if the offender's projected release date is greater than five years for offenders serving sentences listed in Texas Government Code, §508.149(a), or greater than one year for offenders not serving sentences under that section.

## **Sex Offender**

– A classification applied to offenders who have been sentenced for a sexual offense, have previously been convicted of an offense involving sexually deviant behavior, have displayed sexually deviant behavior in the commission of any offense, or have admitted sexually deviant behavior. Also refers to the offender who has had a previous period of supervision revoked due to a technical violation that involved sexually deviant or offensive behavior without a legal conviction or an admission on the part of the offender.

## **SISP**

– See Super Intensive Supervision Program.

## **State Jail Division**

– The division of TDCJ that provides community-oriented, cost-effective incarceration and rehabilitation for offenders, who commit certain low-level, non-violent property and drug offenses, known as state jail offenses. Parole panels do not make any release decisions affecting state jail offenders.

## **Subpoena**

– A process to cause a witness to appear and give testimony or to provide documents at a hearing.

## **Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFPF)**

– A secure chemical dependence treatment facility under contract with the TDCJ for non-violent offenders. An offender may be placed in a SAFP by a parole panel as a condition of parole or mandatory supervision following a hearing.

## **Summons**

– A written notification to be served to an offender not in custody to appear at a hearing to answer to alleged supervision rule violations.

## **Super Intensive Supervision Program (SISP)**

– The highest level of supervision and offender accountability, created by the 75<sup>th</sup> Legislature for potentially dangerous offenders released on parole or mandatory supervision. The program was implemented by the TDCJ-Parole Division September 1, 1997, and provides the most stringent supervision of non-incarcerated offenders in the state's history.

## **Technical Violation**

– A violation of one or more of the rules of parole or mandatory supervision, not including commission of a new criminal offense. This is also known as an administrative violation.

## **Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ)**

– An umbrella agency that includes the Community Justice Assistance Division, the Correctional Institutions Division, and the Parole Division.

## **Transitional Treatment Center (TTC)**

– The aftercare component of the treatment program for offenders from the IPTC and SAFP. This program lasts for three months and is followed by an additional twelve months of outpatient care. Specialized officers trained in substance abuse supervise offenders in the TTC.

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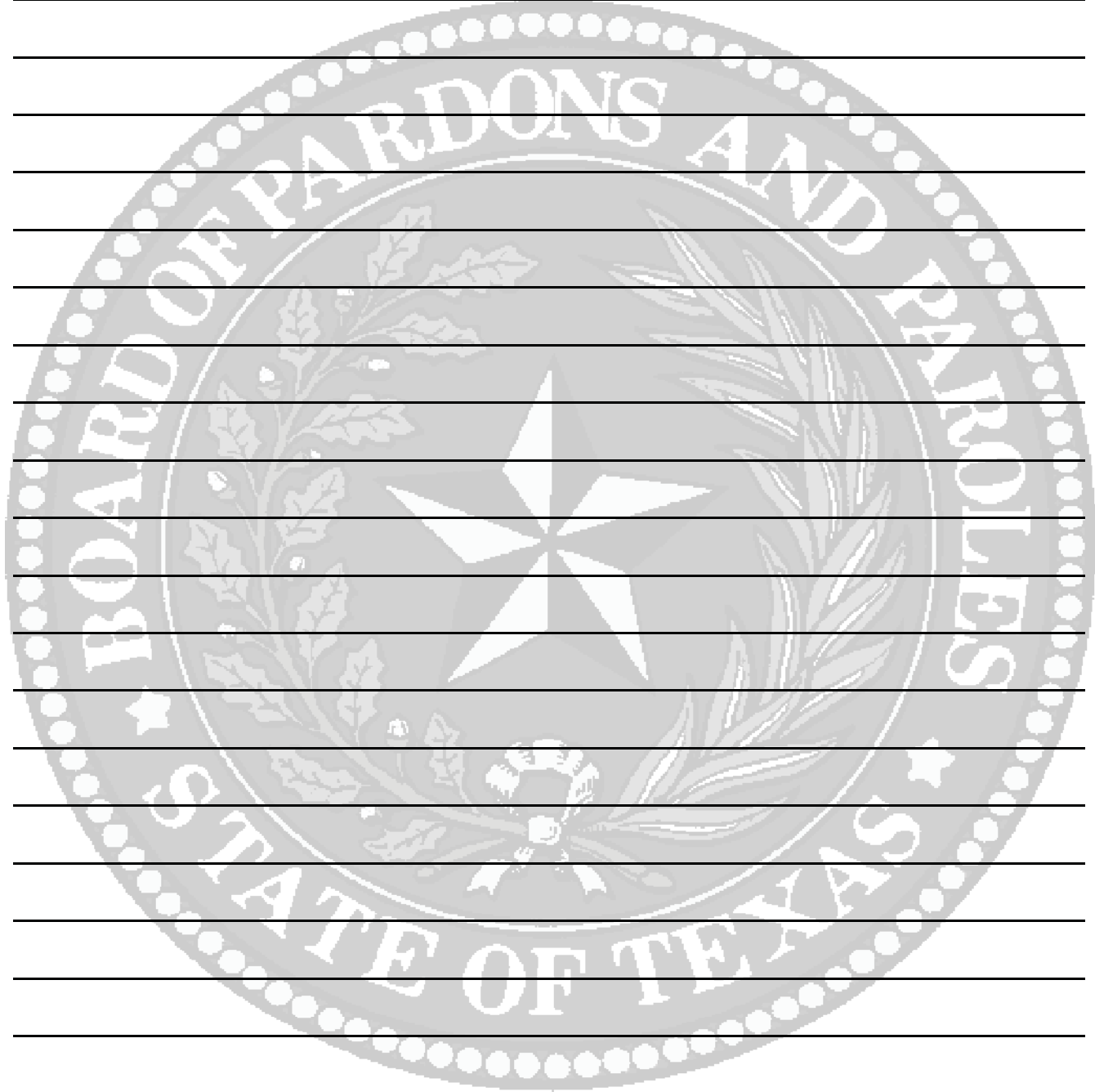
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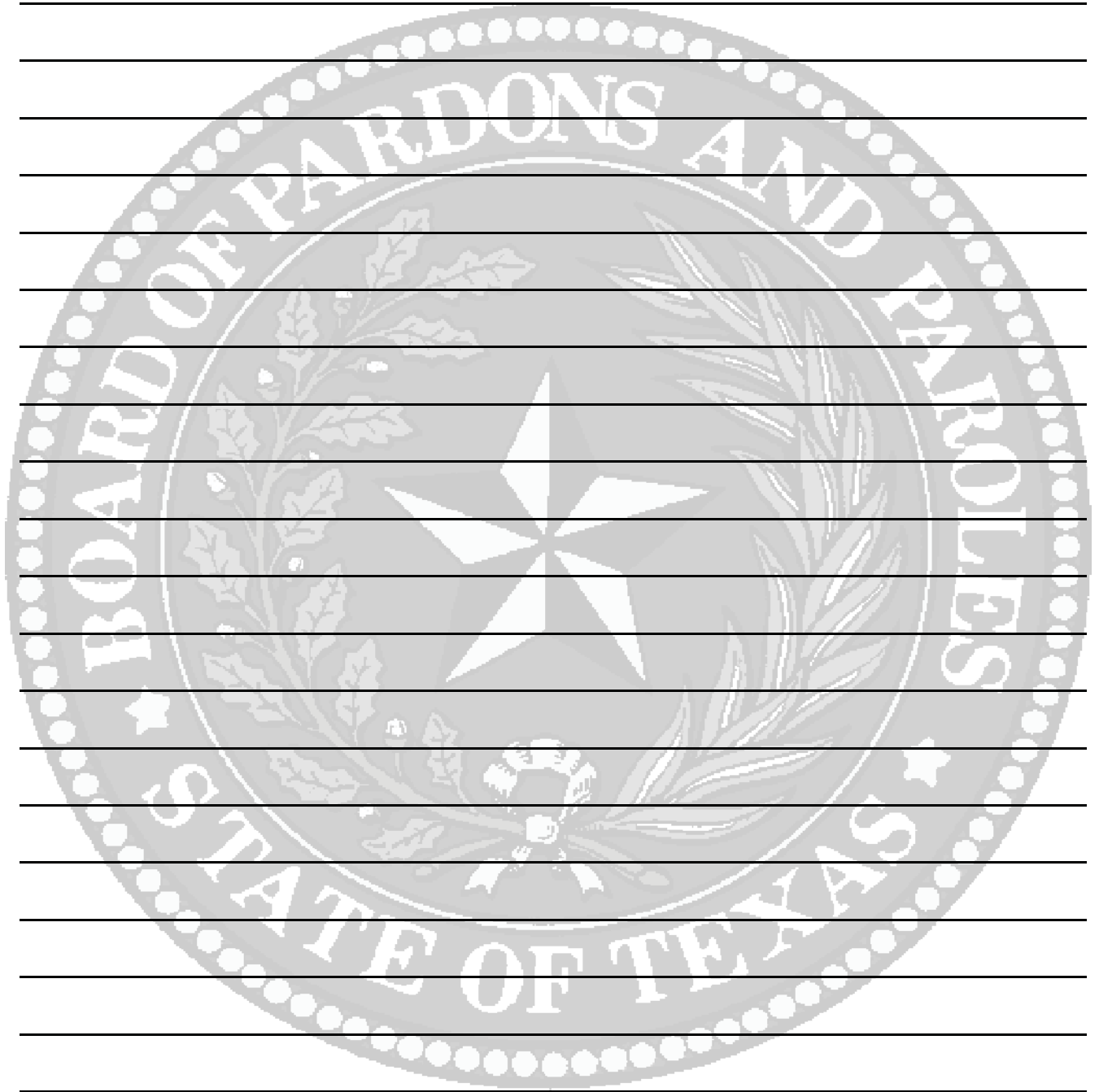
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