



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
INDETERMINATE SENTENCE REVIEW BOARD
P.O. BOX 40907, OLYMPIA, WA 98504-0907

DECISION AND REASONS

NAME: MONROE, Dennis
DOC #: 287393
FACILITY: Monroe Correctional Complex – Twin Rivers Unit
TYPE OF HEARING: .100 Hearing
HEARING DATE: April 4, 2017
PANEL MEMBERS: JP & KR
FINAL DECISION DATE: April 21, 2017

This matter came before Jeff Patnode and Kecia Rongen, who are members of the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (ISRB or the Board), on the above date for a release hearing in accordance with the provisions of RCW 9.95.100. Mr. Monroe appeared in person. Testimony was provided by Department of Corrections (DOC) Classification Counselor (CC) Michellie Engel, DOC Sex Offender Treatment and Assessment Program (SOTAP) Specialist Mallory Hardsteady, and Mr. Monroe.

*Mr. Monroe is past his PERD due to signing a treatment waiver.

BOARD DECISION:

This was a Deferred Decision. Based on the requirements of RCW 9.95.009(3) and RCW 9.95.100 and the totality of evidence and information considered by the Board, the Board finds that Mr. Monroe is not parolable and adds 48 months to his minimum term.

NEXT ACTION:

Schedule a .100 hearing 120 days prior to PERD. The Board will need an updated Psychological Evaluation and an updated Forensic Psychological Evaluation (FPE) if possible.

JURISDICTION:

Dennis Monroe is under the jurisdiction of the Board on a November 10 , 1979 conviction in Clark County Cause No. 79-1-00263-1 for Statutory Rape in the First Degree, Count I and Burglary in the Second Degree, Count II. The time start is June 12, 1982. The minimum term was set at 155 months from a Sentencing Reform Act (SRA) range of 41 to 54 months. The maximum term for Count I is life, and ten years for Count II. Count II has expired. Mr. Monroe has served approximately 418 months in prison and a total of 507 months in prison on all counts and no days of jail time.

NATURE OF INDEX OFFENSE(S):

At his age of 31, Mr. Monroe entered a home through an unlocked patio door at approximately midnight. He was nude when he went into the home. He checked the residence to determine who was there and entered the bedroom of a sleeping 5 year old female. He took her from her bed, laid her on the floor, put a pillow over her face, masturbated to ejaculation and inserted his finger in her vagina.

PRIOR CRIMINAL CONDUCT:

Mr. Monroe has maxed out on three prior Second Degree Burglaries, in addition to the companion charge on the instant offense. All of the prior Burglaries follow similar pattern with them being sexually motivated and involved him entering homes while nude. According to a psychological evaluation authored by Dr. Deborah Wentworth dated April 29, 2014, Mr. Monroe's criminal history can be summarized as beginning a career of sexual deviancy at the age of 14 and was placed for treatment at the age of 15 following his arrest for burglary when he reportedly stole women's underwear. His various charges of burglary are all related to his sexual activities. At his age of 22 Mr. Monroe was convicted of burglary when he broke into a woman's home and was found nude after groping the woman's breast.

Mr. Monroe was originally paroled on July 25, 1977. He was suspended and then reinstated in early 1979. In August of 1979 he was suspended and his parole was revoked as a result of the index offense.

HISTORY/COMMENTS:

Mr. Monroe's last met with the Board in December of 2014 at which time 36 months was added to his minimum term and a recommendation that he complete SOTAP and an updated FPE be obtained if possible.

Mr. Monroe has not had a major infraction since his last Board hearing. He also recently completed SOTAP.

CC Michellie Engel provided a summary of programming (see above), behavior and other relevant activities for Mr. Monroe. She stated he is not a management problem and has no infraction history. She stated that Mr. Monroe's programming since his last hearing has been the SOTAP, which he recently completed. CC Engel said that if found releasable, Mr. Monroe has expressed interest in transitional housing in King County using the housing voucher and has community support from another former inmate Harold Becker.

Mr. Monroe provided a disclosure of his index offense that was consistent with file material. He had good recall regarding the actual event/events. He could verbalize his identified high risks and interventions he has developed. He denied any current deviant arousal.

SOTAP Specialist Hardsteady stated that Mr. Monroe made good progress during his time in treatment. She said he showed good motivation for completing his assignments and was an active group participant. She also said her greatest concern for him in the community will be his ability to manage his potential for deviant arousal.

Mr. Linn made the case that the Board should find Mr. Monroe parolable as he has done all he can in prison based on sex offender treatment. He further stated that this would allow for Mr. Monroe to receive an updated FPE so that a determination can be made as to whether or not he still appears to meet RCW 71.09 criteria.

INFORMATION CONSIDERED:

In preparation for Mr. Monroe's hearing and its decision in this case, the Board completed a review of Mr. Monroe's ISRB file. The Board considered all information contained in those files, including but not limited to: the most recent DOC facility plan; psychological evaluations; institutional behavior and programming; any letters of support and/or concerns sent to the Board; and the Pre-Sentence Investigation report. The Board also considered the testimony of the witnesses listed above.

In a letter dated January 3, 2017, authored by John Sheeran of the Pierce County Prosecutor's Office that noted, "Out of a concern for the safety of the citizens, this office urges the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board to find Mr. Monroe is not parolable."

REASONS:

This was a deferred decision following a full Board discussion using a structured decision-making framework that takes into consideration; the statistical estimate of risk, criminal history, parole/release history, ability to control behavior, responsivity to programming, demonstrated offender change, release planning, discordant information, and other case specific factors. Based on the requirements of RCW 9.95.009 (3) and RCW 9.95.100 the Board finds Mr. Monroe not parolable.

Mr. Monroe has an extensive sexual offending history and has prior evaluations that indicate he is a high risk to commit future sexual offenses if released to the community. The Board commends Mr. Monroe for his recent efforts in completing SOTAP as requested by the Board, and it is still the Board's belief that he is too high of a risk to be released at this time. The Board

would like an updated psychological evaluation and FPE for his next Board hearing.

Mr. Monroe is currently past his PERD and as such the Board has added enough time to ensure updated assessments can be completed.

JP: ts

April 21, 2017

April 24, 2017

April 25, 2017

cc: MCC-TRU
Dennis Monroe
File



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DATE: April 24, 2017

TO: Full Board

FROM: JP & KR (Teresa)

RE: MONROE, Dennis #287393

Panel recommends: Find Mr. MONROE Not Releasable and add 48 months to his MT.

Next action: Schedule a .100 hearing 120 days prior to his PERD.

Agree	Disagree
Jeff Patnode 4-21-2017 Lori Ramsdell-Gilkey 4-21-2017 Tana Wood 4-21-2017 Kecia Rongen 4-21-2017	