

INDETERMINATE SENTENCE REVIEW BOARD
BOARD MEETING
SUMMARY MINUTES

August 28, 2017

A regular meeting of the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board was held in the ISRB Office Building located at 4317 Sixth Avenue SE, Lacey, commencing at 9:00 *a.m.*

Present were:

Board Members:

Staff:

Kecia Rongen
Lori Ramsdell-Gilkey
Jeff Patnode
Elyse Balmert

Robin Riley, Executive Assistant - absent

A. To the Table Case – Members had a full Board discussion of this ISRB case.

PRE-84 Case

- Karen Martin
DOC #315372
- Purpose: Full Board Discussion
- Date: August 28, 2018
- List of Documents Reviewed
 - ISRB File
- An updated prosecutor recommendation was not received.

- Ms. Martin was seen for a .100 Hearing on August 16, 2017 at the Washington Corrections Center for Women.

- **Summary Discussion**
Elyse Balmert presented this case.

Ms. Martin is under the Board's jurisdiction In King county Cause 06-1-12278-6 for Murder in the Second Degree.

The crime involved Ms. Martin hiring the victim via telephone to fix a car as part of a plan to carry out a contract for murder. Ms. Martin had arranged to meet the victim at a bar, but then later called him at the bar and told him she had broken down on the side of the road and needed assistance. The body of the victim was found four days later at the bottom of an embankment.

The crime went unsolved for almost twenty-five years until King County Sheriff's Office learned that approximately one year after the murder, Ms. Martin admitted to the murder at the U.S. Attorney's Office while providing information on other contract killings committed by a crime organization based in Seattle. Ms. Martin believed that she had immunity in the murder. Ms. Martin was 22 years of age at the time of the murders and is currently 62 years of age.

Risk assessment scores rate her as a low risk to re-offend.

Ms. Martin committed one infraction in 2016 which involved her not going to work as part of a peaceful protest in nationwide solidarity for mass incarceration and slave labor in prison.

Ms. Martin has participated in multiple education classes and donates Knitted hats to charity.

Ms. Martin would like to release to her sister in Vancouver, British Columbia who is a retired journalist. She also has a detainer to Canada when released.

- **Recommendation:** The panel recommends to the full Board to find Ms. Martin not parolable at this time but does not add any time.

Next Action: Schedule .100 Hearing 120 days prior to parole eligibility review date in 2020.

- **Vote:**

Elyse Balmert	Agree with recommendation
Kecia Rongen	Agree with recommendation
Lori Ramsdell-Gilkey	Agree with recommendation
Elyse Balmert	Agree with recommendation