

Indeterminate Sentence Review Board Decision and Reasons Summary

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HOLDER, Dani AKA BETOURNAY, Daniel	740835	LT Juv Board	2/4/2025

Note: This is a summary of the Decision and Reasons dated 2/24/2025, and should not be substituted for the full document.

Decision: Releasable

Next Action: Submit an Offender Release Plan (ORP) for consideration

Recommendations:

- Mental Health Treatment/Individual Counseling
- Sex Offense Treatment and Assessment Program (SOTAP), Community Phase
- Strong Controls around minor contact
- Strong controls around relationships
- Electronic Monitoring
- Alcohol/Drug restrictions



DECISION AND REASONS

NAME: HOLDER, Dani FKA BETOURNAY, Daniel

DOC #: 740835

FACILITY: Monroe Correctional Complex - Twin Rivers Unit

DATE OF HEARING: February 4, 2025

TYPE OF HEARING: LT Juv Board 9.94A.730
PANEL MEMBERS: Jill Getty & Corey McNally

FINAL DECISION DATE: February 24, 2025

I. DECISION/LEGAL STANDARD

This matter came before the above-named Board Members of the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (ISRB) for the third hearing pursuant to **RCW 9.94A.730**. This statute establishes a presumption of release unless rebutted by a preponderance of evidence. After considering the possible conditions of release and the remaining evidence, the Board finds Dani Holder is not more likely than not to commit a future crime if released, despite such conditions. Consequently, the Board finds Dani Holder releasable.

Ms. Holder prefers she/her pronouns.

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II. JURISDICTION

Dani Holder is under the jurisdiction of the Board on a September 8, 1995 conviction in Walla Walla County Cause #95-1-00040-9 for Murder in the First Degree, Count II. The time start is April 21, 2022. The minimum term was set at 380 months from a Sentencing Reform Act (SRA) range of 240 to 320 months. The statutory maximum term is Life. Ms. Holder has served approximately 33 months in prison and 0 days of jail time on this count.

Other Causes/Counts: Under the same cause number, Ms. Holder was also convicted of Murder in the First Degree, Count I. She was sentenced to 380 months confinement on Count I, to be served consecutively with Count II. She began serving confinement on Count I on September 13, 1995, and reached her Earned Release Date (ERD) on that count on April 21, 2022. Ms. Holder served approximately 319 months confinement on Count I prior to beginning confinement on Count II. She has served approximately 352 months total time on this cause.

RCW 9.94A.730, enacted in 2014, allows certain offenders who were under the age of 18 when they committed their crime(s) and were sentenced as adults to petition the Board for consideration of early release consideration after serving no less than 20 years of total confinement. Ms. Holder's petition resulted in the hearing on this date.

III. LAST BOARD DECISION

Ms. Holder last appeared before the Board on April 11, 2023, in a Lt JUV Board Hearing. At that time, she was found not releasable. The Board stated that she could re-petition in April of 2024. In addition, the Board recommended that she participate in available specialty groups that may be available through the Sex Offense Treatment and Assessment Program (SOTAP), that she continue with mental health services, that she participate in other change programs if eligible, that she remain infraction free, and that she participate in Dialectic Behavior Therapy.

IV. OFFENSE DESCRIPTION

Ms. Holder, age 15, killed her 14-year-old biological sister and her sister's 14-year-old female friend. Ms. Holder had stayed home from school that day claiming to be sick. Shortly after her sister and her friend arrived home, Ms. Holder killed them. She duct taped their wrists behind their back and taped around their ankles. She placed plastic bags over their heads and wrapped tape around their necks. She left them to suffocate. Ms. Holder left a "suicide note" in her room. The victims were found deceased by Ms. Holder's mother and older sister. Ms. Holder called police later that evening and turned herself in.

V. OTHER RISK RELATED BEHAVIOR

Dani Holder has no prior convictions. She reported a history of running away, suicide attempts and "huffing", and inhaling fumes from certain substances such as glue and gasoline prior to this incarceration. In addition, Ms. Holder has admitted that at age 14 she sexually molested a 3-year-old neighbor girl on 3-4 occasions, caused harm to animals, and has sexually assaulted men while in prison.

VI. EVIDENCE CONSIDERED

The Board considered the evidence presented at the hearing and reviewed **Dani Holder's** ISRB file. The hearing was audio recorded and will be retained per retention schedules. Testimony was provided by the following individuals: **Classification Counselor Amy Wesson, Psychology Associate David Christensen, and Dani Holder.**

The file review included the following documents:

- ☐ End of Sentence Review Committee (ESRC) Reports:
- □ Psychological Evaluations: Dated 9/13/24 by Dr. Robtoy
- ☑ Risk Assessments (Static, SOTIPS etc.):
- **Stable-2007** is an empirically derived actuarial risk tool commonly used to assess treatment and supervision needs of sex offenders.
- Static-99R is an actuarial risk prediction instrument designed to estimate the probability
 of sexual and violent recidivism. It is the most widely used sex offender risk assessment
 instrument in the world.
- Violence Risk Assessment Guide-Revised (VRAG-R) is a 12-item actuarial scale designed to predict violent recidivism.
- Hare Psychopathy Checklist-REVISED (PCL-R) indicates the extent to which the individual has psychopathic tendencies.
- HCR-20v3 is an instrument that organizes known risk factors into three categories: historical, clinical, and risk management. Using past, present, and future factors the HCR-20v3 assesses dynamic risk for recidivism.
- Findings and Conclusion (F&C), Prior Decision & Reasons (D&R): D&R dated 4/24/23

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- Other: Individual Release Plan; Information submitted by attorney dated 1/21/25

VII. FINDINGS

- 1. In preparation for this hearing, Dani Holder and defense counsel were provided with the evidence considered by the Board and was advised of her hearing rights.
- 2. Dani Holder appeared by video conference. She was represented by attorney Guin Bogusz.
- 3. The Board has considered all potential conditions of community custody it may lawfully impose, including all potential conditions identified by the End of Sentence Review Committee (ESRC), DOC psychological evaluations, and RCW 9.94A.704. These conditions include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - ELECTRONIC MONITORING
 - GEOGRAPHIC RESTRICTIONS
 - MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT COMPLIANCE
 - PARTICIPATION IN SEX OFFENSE TREATMENT
 - PROHIBITED CONTACTS
 - SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL
 - SUBMIT TO POLYGRAPHS
 - UNAPPROVED RELATIONSHIPS
- 4. The Board has considered the following evidence favorable to Dani Holder's release determination:
- ☑Treatment/Programming Participating in mental health services (DBT skills), Toastmasters, and Alliances; completed Associate of Applied Science Degree in Business Management; ACCI Correspondence Course Re-entry Life Skills Domestic Violence; self-directed courses in Houses of Healing, Stressful Life Events, Domestic Violence, Aggression Replacement Therapy and Anger Management; institutional employment. Previous completion of SOTAP in 2021.

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☐ Washington Offender Needs Evaluation (ONE)

⊠Risk Assessment Scores 3pts/Low-Mod Static 99R; 7pts/Mod Stable 2007; Bin 6/9 VRAG; Low-Mod HCR-20v3

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 □ Psychological Evaluation 9/2024 Evaluation estimated moderate risk for future violence and a reasonable candidate for transition to a less restrictive environment including the community.

☑ Other evidence Reasonable release plan and community support.

5.	The Board has considered evidence against Dani Holder's release:
	Refusal to participate in available programs or resources designed to assist an inmate to reduce the risk of re-offense In the last ISRB Hearing, the Board recommended that Ms. Holder participate in SOTAP Specialty Groups. She ultimately declined to participate in any SOTAP groups, believing that the material she would have covered in those groups had been adequately addressed through her participation in mental health services.
	Serious and/or repetitive disciplinary infractions during incarceration
	Evidence of an inmate's continuing intent or propensity to engage in sex offenses
	Statements or declarations by the inmate of the intent not to comply with conditions of community custody
	End of sentence review determination based on actuarial assessments identifying risk to sexually reoffend
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6. The community custody conditions, and any favorable evidence noted above considered by the Board would sufficiently reduce the likelihood of Dani Holder committing new offenses because:

Other evidence: Her description of the crime of conviction differed from file material.

- Ms. Holder has worked to address the areas of concern identified in her last ISRB
 hearing such as healthy relationships (including boundaries, co-dependency, and
 domestic violence) through her ongoing participation in mental health services and
 other programs. In addition, she received a favorable report from her mental health
 provider.
- Her 9/2024 Psychological Evaluation opined Ms. Holder was a moderate risk for future violence and a reasonable candidate for release. Dr. Robtoy noted that some actuarial risk assessments are based on historical/static information and would not change with any amount of programming or changed behavior. Dr. Robtoy further opined that Ms. Holder appeared to have risk factors for violence largely under control and/or resolved.
- She has not received any serious infractions in several years, indicating she may be capable of abiding by conditions of community supervision.
- She has a reasonable release plan and community support.

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7. After weighing all of the evidence, including the community custody conditions and any

favorable evidence noted above, the Board finds by a preponderance of the evidence that

Dani Holder is not more likely than not to commit a new crime if released with conditions

that are designed to help better prepare her for a successful re-entry into society.

VIII. RECOMMENDATIONS

Mental Health Treatment/Individual Counseling

• Sex Offense Treatment and Assessment Program (SOTAP), Community Phase

• Strong controls around minor contact

• Strong controls around relationships

• Electronic Monitoring

Alcohol/Drug restrictions

JG: ts

2/12/2025

cc: Facility: MCC-TRU

Dani Holder, Incarcerated Individual

File



TO: Full Board

FROM: JG (ts)

RE: HOLDER, Dani DOC # 740835

Panel recommends: Releasable

Next action: Submit an Offender Release Plan (ORP) for

consideration.

Agree	Disagree
Jeff Patnode, 2.24.2025 Jill Getty, 2.24.2025 Cory McNally, 2.24.2025 Meghan Kelly-Stallings, 2.24.2025 Kecia Rongen, 2.24.2025	