



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

DECISION AND REASONS

NAME: Fletcher, John
DOC #: 269899
FACILITY: Stafford Creek Correctional Center
DATE OF HEARING: June 22, 2021
TYPE OF HEARING: .100
PANEL MEMBERS: Elyse Balmert and TaTeasha Davis
FINAL DECISION DATE: June 28, 2021

This matter came before the above-named Board Members of the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (ISRB or the Board) for a .100 hearing in accordance with RCW 9.95.100. In preparation for the hearing, the Board reviewed Mr. Fletcher's ISRB file. Mr. Fletcher appeared in person and was represented by Attorney Jason Couey. Testimony was provided by Department of Corrections (DOC) Classification Counselor (CC) William Douglas.

Original the prosecutor recommended a 20-year maximum sentence on # 80-1-00188-2. The Court recommended seven and one-half years.

LAST BOARD DECISION:

At the December 13, 2017 hearing, the Board found Mr. Fletcher not parolable and added 60 months to his minimum term. The Board recommended he participate in recommended programming and remain serious infraction free.

CURRENT BOARD 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. Fletcher is conditionally parolable to a MRP and adds 18 months to his minimum term to allow him to complete programming and be considered for work release.

NEXT ACTION:

Schedule a .100 hearing approximately 120 days prior to his PERD.

REASONS FOR DECISION:

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 9.95.100, the Board finds Mr. Fletcher conditionally parolable for the following reasons:

- Psychological Evaluation by Dr. Robtoy; Risk Assessment tools rate his risk Low/Moderate to Moderate for violent recidivism. However, her clinical opinion was that if Mr. Fletcher were to recidivate, he is more likely to commit a non-violent crime, or even more likely violate the conditions of his supervision.
- He has completed risk related programming; substance abuse treatment x 2 (IOP & TC), Thinking for Change, Alternatives to Violence, Victim Awareness and Standardized Stress/Anger Management.
- He has managed his behavior in prison with no violent Serious Infractions since 2008.
- He has lifetime Supervision.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Mr. Fletcher should use his time in the work release program to obtain employment and gain skills so that he may successfully transition into the community. He should work on gaining positive peer support in the community and not socialize with antisocial peers.

JURISDICTION:

John Fletcher is under the jurisdiction of the Board on a June 1, 1981 conviction in Clark County Cause #81-1-188-2 for Count II Robbery in the First Degree. The original time start was August 14, 1983. The original minimum term was set at 102 months from a Sentencing Reform Act (SRA) range of 77 to 102 months. The maximum term is Life. Mr. Fletcher served approximately 80 months in prison and 0 days of jail time prior to his first parole release on May 2, 1990. He was revoked on March 22, 1991, new MT was set at 60 months. Mr. Fletcher has served approximately 15 months before being paroled to his SRA on June 30, 1992.

Parole was revoked again on May 21, 2007, new MT was set at 36 months; and since his second parole revocation he has served approximately 169 months. Total time served to date on this cause is approximately 264 months.

OFFENSE DESCRIPTION:

File materials describe the Robbery First Degree conviction as Mr. Fletcher, at age 19, robbing a convenience store attendant at knifepoint. Companion causes of Taking a Motor Vehicle, Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Second-Degree Burglary have reached their maximum expiration dates.

PRIOR CRIMINAL / RISK RELATED CONDUCT:

While on parole for the index crime Mr. Fletcher was convicted of First-Degree Burglary and First-Degree Assault under Clark County Cause #90-1-01042-2. File material describes these crimes as Mr. Fletcher forcing his way into the home of a young woman after pretending to need to use her telephone. He threatened to kill her, and then stabbed her multiple times. (In today's hearing he claimed he was trying to get money back from a woman who owed him money and he stabbed her once.)

In 1980 Mr. Fletcher was convicted of two counts of First-Degree Burglary out of Multnomah County Circuit in Oregon. He also has 1979 felony convictions for Possession of a Controlled

Substance, Marijuana, Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, Burglary, and Forced Entry of a Residence.

PROGRESS/BEHAVIOR:

CC Douglas provided an overview of Mr. Fletcher's programming (vocation/education and offender change) since his last Hearing. Due to his sentence structure and COVID restrictions he has had limited access to programming. He is not currently working but previously worked as a Resource Porter and did well. In his spare time, he reads and draws. He has incurred on Serious Infraction for Refuse Cell/Housing Assignment since his last Hearing and has had no issues on the Unit. Mr. Fletcher has paid off all his Legal Financial Obligations. He recently had cognitive testing completed but CC Douglas was not sure what the results indicated.

Mr. Fletcher said at the time of his offending he was having mental health problems and panic attacks. Mr. Fletcher stated during his time at Camp he felt threatened due to him being a "rat" previously. He indicated that he reported another inmate for having a shank. He continues to believe he is basically still targeted due to that incident. He previously completed two substance abuse treatment programs. Mr. Fletcher has also completed numerous risk related programs as listed above. He was asked about going back to Camp and indicated he would like to go to work release and not go to Camp. Mr. Fletcher said he would like to build house boats when released to the community, but initially he will seek out employment in a restaurant or as a janitor. For social support he hopes to attend church when released. Mr. Fletcher would like to utilize the Housing Voucher Program and live in transitional housing when released to the community.

Attorney Couey pointed out to the Board the evaluation from Dr. Robtoy was positive and much improved from Mr. Fletcher's last one.

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Date June 28, 2021

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Attorney - Jason Couey
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TO: Full Board

FROM: Elyse Balmert (NT)

RE: Fletcher, John DOC #269899

Panel recommends: Conditionally Parolable , add 18 months to MT, submit Mutual Re-entry Program (MRP)

Next action: Schedule .100 120 days prior to parole eligibility review date (PERD).

Agree	Disagree
Elyse Balmert 6-28-2021 TaTeasha Davis 6-28-2021 Lori Ramsdell-Gilkey 6-28-2021 Jeff Patnode 6-28-2021 Kecia Rongen 6-28-2021	