

INDETERMINATE SENTENCE REVIEW BOARD
BOARD MEETING
SUMMARY MINUTES

Monday, October 6, 2025

A regular meeting of the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board was held in the ISRB Office Building located at 637 Woodland Square Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98504, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Present were:

Board Members:

Kecia Rongen
Corey McNally
Jeff Patnode
Jill Getty
Meghan Kelly-Stallings

Staff:

Leah Landon, Executive Director
Rebecca Torrence, Executive Assistant

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

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- RICHARDS, Travis
- DOC #747386
- Purpose: Full Board Discussion
- Date: October 6, 2025
- List of Documents Reviewed
 - ISRB File
- An updated prosecutor recommendation was received. The Prosecutor does not support release.
- Travis Richards was seen for a Release Hearing on September 16, 2025 at the Stafford Creek Corrections Center.
- **Summary Discussion**
Meghan Kelly-Stallings presented the case to the full Board.
- Travis Richards is being seen by the Board for his convictions of Murder in the First Degree in Clark County Cause 95-1-00837-2.

Mr. Richards killed his 11-year-old neighbor by beating him with a pool cue and manually strangling him to death. He was 16 years of age at the time of the crime and is currently 46 years of age.

Previous Criminal History:

Mr. Richards criminal history started in 1992 when he was convicted of Malicious Mischief in the 3rd Degree and Assault in the 4th Degree. In 1993, he was convicted of Theft in the 3rd Degree, Malicious Mischief and Harassment.

Risk assessments show him to be a low risk to re-offend.

Mr. Richards' last serious infraction was more than five years ago.

Most recently, Mr. Richards has participated in educational programs.

None.

Mr. Richards would like to participate in the Seattle Clemency Project and obtain transitional housing.

- **Decision:**

The panel recommends Mr. Richards be released.

- **Reasons:**

- Mr. Richards testified openly about the callous, cruel nature of his crime. He did not appear to deny or minimize any information found in file material or previously stated to the Board. Mr. Richards expressed remorse for the lasting harm he has caused to many people and stated that he does not wish to return to the community where he grew up, since that's where the victim's family continues to reside.
- Mr. Richards has continuously sought out mental health care while in prison, despite not having a diagnosed condition that requires regular treatment. Records indicate that he expressed regret over his crime and wanted to better understand what factors may have led him to commit the crime. He states that he plans to continue therapy if he is released into the community. Continuing mental health support will likely reduce Mr. Richards's risk of committing future crimes.
- Mr. Richards has had no disciplinary issues in prison since 2019. He has only received positive/neutral behavioral observations since 12/2021 and has been able to maintain steady employment. He has not had any infractions involving violence in 25 years. This suggests an ability to comply with conditions of supervision.

- Mr. Richards provided a reasonable release plan and will have access to resources offered by the Seattle Clemency Project, as well as emotional and financial support from immediate family.
- Mr. Richards has completed numerous risk reduction/change programs, most recently for substance use disorder (SUD) in 2023. He states that while he regularly took drugs prior to his incarceration, he has not taken drugs since 2009.
- **Recommendations:**
 - Continue with mental health treatment upon release into the community.
 - Strong controls around alcohol use.
 - Strong controls around drug use.
 - Strong controls around minor contact.
 - Internet Monitoring
 - Since Mr. Richards' victim was younger and more physically vulnerable, Mr. Richards should be restricted from having unsupervised contact with minors or other vulnerable individuals, especially during his initial transition to community.
- **Next Action:** Submit an Offender Release Plan (ORP) for consideration.
- **Vote:**

Jeff Patnode	Disagree with recommendation
Kecia Rongen	Agree with recommendation
Corey McNally	Agree with recommendation
Jill Getty	Disagree with recommendation
Meghan Kelly-Stallings	Agree with recommendation