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“Parole in Texas” book available on-line

AUSTIN – The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles and the Parole Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) jointly have published a new edition of “Parole in Texas: Answers to Common Questions.”

The book, published in both English and Spanish, is available online at <http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us/bpp/publications/publications.html>.

Topics in the book include parole eligibility, factors affecting parole decisions, release and supervision, and clemency. Additionally, TDCJ’s Victim Services Division lists commonly asked questions about support to crime victims and their families.

The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, established by the Texas Constitution, decides which eligible offenders to release on parole, any special conditions for that parole, and under what conditions to revoke parole. The Board also recommends clemency matters to the Governor.

The TDCJ Parole Division is responsible for pre-release planning, and for supervising parolees and mandatory supervision offenders once they are released to the community. Its mission is to promote public safety and positive offender change through effective supervision, programs and services.

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