



**TEXAS BOARD  
OF  
PARDONS AND PAROLES**

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## **BOARD DIRECTIVE**

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**SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF A PAROLE PANEL DECISION**

**PURPOSE:** To provide the offender further information upon notification of a parole panel decision.

**AUTHORITY:** Texas Government Code Section 508.1411(b)

**DIRECTIVE:** The specific reasons in this Directive will be utilized by the Board Members or a parole panel when making a decision to grant or deny an offender's release to parole or mandatory supervision. A written notice of the parole panel's decision will be hand delivered to the offender. The notice will only contain those reasons which specifically apply to that offender.

### **1. CRIMINAL HISTORY**

- A** The record does not include a documented pattern of violent or assaultive arrests or convictions.
- D** The record indicates that the offender has repeatedly committed criminal episodes that indicate a predisposition to commit criminal acts upon release.

### **2. NATURE OF OFFENSE**

- A** The record indicates non-violent offenses and the instant offense indicates no tendency toward violent/assaultive behavior, with limited potential for future assaultive type offenses.
- D** The record indicates the instant offense has elements of brutality, violence, assaultive behavior, or conscious selection of victim's vulnerability indicating a conscious disregard for the lives, safety, or property of others, such that the offender poses a continuing threat to public safety.

### **3. DRUG OR ALCOHOL INVOLVEMENT**

- A** The record indicates limited or non-involvement with substance use.
- D** The record indicates excessive substance use involvement.

**4. INSTITUTIONAL ADJUSTMENT**

- A** The record indicates that the offender has maintained a satisfactory institutional adjustment.
- D** The record indicates that the offender has an unsatisfactory institutional adjustment.

**5. ADJUSTMENT DURING PERIODS OF SUPERVISION**

- A** The record indicates successful periods of supervision on probation, parole, or mandatory supervision.
- D** The record indicates unsuccessful periods of supervision on previous probation, parole, or mandatory supervision that resulted in incarceration, including parole-in-absentia.

**6. PARTICIPATION IN TDCJ-CID PROPOSED OR SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS**

- A** The record indicates participation in and completion of TDCJ-CID programs and activities in the individual treatment plan that should enhance chances to obtain and maintain full-time stable employment.
- D** The record indicates that the offender refused to participate or intentionally failed to complete TDCJ-CID programs and activities in the individual treatment plan.

**7. TIME SERVED**

- A** The record indicates that length of time served by the offender is congruent with offense severity and criminal history.
- D** The record indicates that length of time served by the offender is not congruent with offense severity and criminal history.

**8. FELONY OFFENSE**

- D** The record indicates that the offender has been charged before a magistrate, indicted, or convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction, with a felony offense committed while incarcerated.

**9. DISCRETIONARY MANDATORY SUPERVISION-For a vote not to release, it is necessary to vote both D1 and D2, along with any other reasons that may apply.**

**A** Release to Discretionary Mandatory Supervision

**D1** The record indicates that the offender's accrued good conduct time is not an accurate reflection of the offender's potential for rehabilitation.

**D2** The record indicates that the offender's release would endanger the public.

**10. GANG AFFILIATION**

**A** The record indicates that the offender is not a confirmed member of one of the TDCJ-CID designated security threat group.

**D** The record indicates that the offender is a confirmed member of one of the TDCJ-CID designated security threat group.

**11. OTHER**

**A or D** Write an explanation.

**SIGNED THIS, THE 29<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2014.**

**RISSIE OWENS, PRESIDING OFFICER (CHAIR)**

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*\* Signature on file.*