



**TEXAS BOARD  
OF  
PARDONS AND PAROLES**

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## **BOARD POLICY**

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**SUBJECT: GANG AFFILIATION**

**PURPOSE:** To establish a policy statement of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles related to gang affiliation.

**AUTHORITY:** Texas Government Code Sections 508.0441, 508.045 and 508.221  
Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Title 37, Part 5, Chapter 145, Section 145.22

**DEFINITION:** Gang Member – An offender designated by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Correctional Institutions Division (TDCJ-CID) as a confirmed gang member of one of the designated security threat groups.

**POLICY:** It is the policy of the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles (Board) to consider an offender's designation as a gang member when reviewing an offender's case for parole, to include the parole guideline score, discretionary mandatory supervision, and imposing special conditions.

The Board will also consider TDCJ-CID's Gang Renunciation and Disassociation (GRAD) Program and Administrative Segregation Diversion Program (ASDP). When TDCJ-CID identifies an offender as an ex-gang member based upon the successful completion of the GRAD or ASDP program, the offender is no longer considered a gang member. Therefore, gang related special conditions are not appropriate for these offenders.

**ADOPTED BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2018.**

**DAVID GUTIÉRREZ, PRESIDING OFFICER (CHAIR)**

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*\* Signature on file.*