



**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 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 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 or discretionary mandatory supervision, to include the parole guideline score, and the imposition of special conditions.

The Board will also consider any Texas Department of Criminal Justice Correctional Institutions Division (TDCJ-CID) gang renunciation program. When TDCJ-CID identifies an offender as an ex-gang member based upon the successful completion of a gang renunciation 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 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2019.**

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

*\*Signature on file.*