

**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

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**APPROVAL  
AND  
DENIAL  
REASONS**

## APPROVAL/DENIAL REASONS

An offender considered for parole or mandatory supervision shall be notified of the parole panel's decision in writing. Upon considering a case for parole or mandatory supervision, the parole panel shall make a record of its decision and the reasons for its decision on the minute sheet of the offender's file. Reasons for the parole panel's decision include but are not limited to the following: criminal history; nature of offense; drug or alcohol involvement; institutional adjustment; adjustment during periods of supervision; participation in TDCJ-CID proposed or specialized programs; time served; felony offense committed while incarcerated; discretionary mandatory supervision; gang affiliation; and other.

Parole approval will be indicated by "A" and denial will be indicated by "D."

### 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.