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Non-Violent Parole Review Process
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Re: Robinson, Richard Alan
CDCR No. BG8076
Court Docket No. 16FE013511

Inmate Robinson has a well-documented, repeated past of violence and has time and again put his community at risk when released from custody. The circumstances surrounding his past violence, combined with the dangerous nature of his present offense and his demonstrated inability to abide by conditions of release show that, if released on early parole, Inmate Robinson poses an unreasonable risk of danger to the community.

Criminal history demonstrating violence and dangerousness

Inmate Robinson's criminal history reveals a history of violence, dangerous conduct, and a failure to abide by conditions of release. His criminal history is lengthy and dates back to 1987. Since he committed his first crime, he has never successfully completed a single grant of supervised release. He has either violated the terms of his release or committed a new criminal offense. Prior to his current incarceration, Inmate Robinson had already spent more than 20 actual years in prison. In fact, he had already "struck out" and was sentenced to 27 years to life in prison back in 1997. But after a change in the law that allowed his sentence to be reduced he was released in 2015. Despite getting the chance to reform, he has continued to re-offend and has disregarded any concern for the safety and wellbeing of his community and has ignored the risks of going back to prison for many years.

Below is a summary of just the crimes he has committed that involved violence against other people or dangerous behavior towards the community. (This is by no means a complete list of Inmate Robinson's crimes and convictions. There are many intervening convictions for non-violent crimes that are being omitted).

Docket 14132 – San Luis Obispo County – PC 211 Robbery Conviction

According to San Luis Obispo Police Report #12237.A65260, on January 28, 1987, officers were called about an assault taking place. Officers arrived and found Inmate Robinson along with Tony Foster, near the victim [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was bleeding and shouting at Inmate Robinson to give his wallet back. Officers saw Inmate Robinson discard an item before he and Tony were detained. The victim [REDACTED] stated, Inmate Robinson and Foster had pushed him into the bushes, beat and kicked him in his face and body, and had taken his wallet. Officers checked the area where they seen Inmate Robinson toss a dark colored object and located [REDACTED] wallet and personal effects.

[REDACTED] was taken to the hospital with an abrasion on the bridge of his nose, a laceration to his left cheekbone area, a bruise on his upper right bicep, a bruise on the outside of his right elbow, and his right elbow appeared to be out of alignment.

Inmate Robinson was convicted of a violation of Penal Code Section 211 robbery, a violent felony under PC 667.5 and was originally sentenced to 365 days in the county jail. However, he later violated his probation twice and got 90 more days and then eventually 2 years in state prison.

Docket 16MI001829- Elk Grove Police Department Report 16-000567 – Sacramento County

On January 23, 2015, [REDACTED] reported that she had been in a dating relationship with Inmate Robinson, and she was trying to break it off with him and he became angry and agitated. He was yelling and becoming threatening. Ms. [REDACTED] called the police. When Inmate Robinson heard that she was calling the police, he grabbed a 10-inch knife and started banging it on the metal balcony shouting “Bring it! Bring it!” His shouting was overheard by the 911 dispatcher. When police arrived, they heard Inmate Robinson continuing to shout, “Call your fucking friends!” and continuing to bang against metal. Officers spotted Inmate Robinson inside of the apartment with the knife in his hand shouting. Officers issued several commands for him to drop the knife and he refused. After many commands, and pointing guns at him, Inmate Robinson finally dropped the knife but refused all other commands to get on the ground or comply. Officers threatened to tase him if he did not comply. Inmate Robinson continued to resist shouting “Fuck no!” and “Fucking tase me!”. Officers tried to get control of his arms and he fought and resisted. He continued to physically fight and resist until the officers were finally able to get him into handcuffs.

Inmate Robinson was convicted of a misdemeanor violation of Penal Code Section 148(a)(1) and sentenced to 180 days in the county jail.

Santa Barbara Police Department Report 15-75282 – Santa Barbara County

On October 27, 2015, Inmate Robinson was seen by multiple witnesses loitering around an apartment complex where he did not reside. Witnesses observed him trying to open and gain access to locked vehicles, trying the back gates of neighboring residences, talking to small children and asking them to open the gate to where the children were playing, and entering the backyard of

a residence and trying to gain access through a back door. Inmate Robinson was also seen applying a lighter directly to the tire of a parked vehicle in an attempt to light the vehicle on fire.

Inmate Robinson was arrested for attempted arson and attempted burglary.

Current Offense Docket 16FE013511– Sacramento County

On July 12, 2016, police were called because witnesses saw Inmate Robinson “casing houses” and looking into them. As officers arrived, they watched Inmate Robinson remove the screen off a home, open the window, and he began climbing inside by putting his hands and arms in the window, when he looked and noticed the police watching him. At that point he sat on the front porch and later lied to the officers that he was only doing a scavenger hunt and was looking for keys in the house and the owners had said it was okay. The owners were contacted and arrived home and confirmed they did not know Inmate Robinson and he did not have permission to be on their property.

Inmate Robinson was convicted of a felony violation of Penal Code 459 first degree residential burglary, a serious felony under PC 1192.7(c) and was sentenced to 17 years in state prison.

Jail Behavior in the Sacramento County Jail Prior to Being Delivered to CDCR

On 7/13/16, Inmate Robinson exited his cell without permission and became extremely uncooperative. He was given five days lockdown.

On 7/21/16, Inmate Robinson was having a scheduled visit. He became argumentative and agitated and was instructed to return to his cell.

On 8/9/16, Inmate Robinson was coming down the elevator for court. He refused to comply with officers’ instructions to “bury his hands”. He was escorted back to the elevator to return to 8 East until he was needed for court.

On 11/29/16, Inmate Robinson was told he was no longer going to be a pod worker. He threatened another inmate, threw three cups of soup that were sitting on a table, and threatened officers. He received ten days full restriction.

On 4/16/17, Inmate Robinson became belligerent towards the pill call nurse. Officers told Inmate Robinson to “lockdown” two times however, he disregarded the officer’s directives. He continued yelling profanities and the officer felt Inmate Robinson was going to attack him, so he took Inmate Robinson to the ground to gain better control. He received twenty days full restriction.

Summary

Inmate Robinson’s actions show that he poses an unreasonable risk of danger to the community. Every single time he has been released back into the community, he has failed to abide by the conditions of his release, often reoffending in violent ways or dangerous ways that put other people at risk. Thankfully he was caught in this case before anything worse happened. The fact that after

so many years in prison and so many convictions for burglary, he would still be willing to enter someone's home and burglarize them is alarming.

Any rational look at Inmate Robinson's history leads one to the inescapable conclusion that he refuses to rehabilitate, and that upon release he will almost certainly reoffend in violent and/or dangerous ways. To ignore this plain fact and to nonetheless release him as a "non-violent offender" is to ignore the truth and to directly place the community at risk. Inmate Robinson has proven time and again that he will not abide by terms of conditional release and that he will reoffend in violent and dangerous ways. In over 30 years of criminal behavior, he has never successfully completed a term of conditional release. His history of parole and probation violations, new offenses, and absconds provides overwhelming evidence of this fact.

The dangerous nature of the current offense, combined effect of his 30 years of violence and dangerousness with his refusal to rehabilitate and abide by terms of release makes Inmate Robinson an unreasonable risk to the community. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Daniel M. Jensen".

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