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Non-Violent Parole Review Process  
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RE: **Barksdale, Mariah**

CDCR # **WH4771**

Court Docket: **22FE001059, 23FE019589**

Inmate Barksdale is a well-established criminal who has consistently shown disregard for the law, and she should not be paroled early. The circumstances surrounding her current convictions and her prior criminal record show that she poses an unreasonable risk of danger to the community. She is unpredictable and undeterred by criminal sanctions. Her request to be released early should be denied.

Inmate Barksdale is a repeat offender who has a serious criminal record that she's acquired in a short window of time. She has consistently demonstrated that when she's afforded the opportunity to be in the community, she will continue to commit crime. Between 2009 and 2020 she committed several serious and violent felony offenses, and she has been sentenced to prison twice. Her first strike offense was for dissuading a witness from testifying in a criminal case. In that case, the victim, a 15-year-old witness to a homicide, was interviewed regarding her knowledge of the homicide that involved Inmate Barksdale's brother. Information regarding her speaking to law enforcement became known to Inmate Barksdale. While the victim was at a party, Inmate Barksdale and several of her friends verbally harassed the victim and after the party they assaulted her. The victim was beaten in the head and body with closed fists. The beating resulted in two lacerations to her forehead that needed stitches.

Several years later in 2015, Inmate Barksdale committed her second-strike offense, an attempted robbery. In that case, Inmate Barksdale and her co-defendants entered Carter's clothing store and one of the co-defendants began to conceal merchandise in her purse. An employee confronted the co-defendant about stealing and Inmate Barksdale approached the employee and stated "is it worth getting your ass beat off this? It's not like I can't come back here." The employee was fearful she would be assaulted. While on parole for this incident in 2019, Inmate Barksdale picked up another case. In that case, she and her accomplices went into a Rite Aid location and started gathering cosmetics to leave the store with. A store employee exited from behind the counter and told Defendant she needed to return the merchandise. Defendant hit the employee in the left arm. Inmate Barksdale and her accomplices left the store and a security guard followed them to their car. While the security guard was taking a photo of the getaway vehicle, Inmate Barksdale punched him in the head.

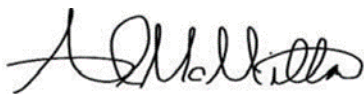
Inmate Barksdale is currently serving time for two separate incidents. Her first incident took place while Defendant was on parole for her 2019 case and this first incident stems from a robbery that took place on January 14, 2022. After the robbery, Inmate Barksdale was instructed by one of the suspects involved in the robbery to hide various items that were stolen from the victims of the robbery incident. Law enforcement responded to an apartment where they could see Inmate Barksdale going in and out of the apartment while speaking with someone on the phone. She was seen looking around multiple bushes, taking items into the apartment and concealing items in her waistband. She got into a vehicle and attempted to flee the area. When she was stopped and contacted by police, they located property belonging to the victims of the robbery. Law enforcement searched the apartment Inmate Barksdale was seen going in and out of; they located property belonging to the victim of the robbery in the apartment as well.

While Inmate Barksdale was out on bail for the accessory to a robbery case, she picked up the second case she is serving a time for. On December 3, 2023, she and two co-defendants committed several grand thefts from multiple locations and were apprehended during a Sheriff's Department blitz operation. After an investigation, Inmate Barksdale and her accomplices were observed on surveillance committing thefts from Target, Lululemon and Bath and Body Works. Their vehicle was searched and officers located stolen merchandise from at least five different retailers. There was approximately \$6,000 worth of stolen merchandise recovered from the vehicle.

Inmate Barksdale has learned nothing from her previous criminal conduct and releasing her early will not benefit the community. Her inability to function in society without committing serious and violent crimes makes her unpredictable and dangerous. Most importantly, her inability to reform her behavior and reintegrate herself into the community makes her not suitable for early release. She has a complete disregard for the law and the people within the community and releasing her early would only show her that she can continue to commit crime and never have to fully deal with the consequences of her actions.

As we are given 30 days to respond, and we are not provided with any disciplinary history or any other information aside from the one-page notice of parole review, I cannot fully comment on Inmate Barksdale's prison conduct. However, from the record that is available it is clear that Inmate Barksdale should not be released as she poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. McMillan', with a stylized, cursive script.

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