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## Re: Jarrell, Michael CDC# AY6660 Court Docket: 14F07471

Inmate Jarrell is a recidivist methamphetamine dealer who poses an unacceptable risk to public safety. He should not be paroled. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record show that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

On October 29, 2014, Sacramento's multi-agency Gang Task Force executed a search warrant targeting Inmate Jarrell and a residence associated with him. Inside the residence gang detectives located *over three and half pounds* of methamphetamine, multiple digital scales, narcotic's packaging material, *and a loaded, concealable, .357 caliber revolver, and multiple rounds of ammunition*. Inmate Jarrell was arrested at another location where additional methamphetamine was located. When asked about the loaded firearm, ammunition, and the large quantity of methamphetamine, Inmate Jarrell admitted to knowing about all the items but denied that they were his. Specifically, Inmate Jarrell claimed that the methamphetamine was not his and that he was just "holding it for some people." Inmate Jarrell was convicted of multiple felonies from this incident including possession of methamphetamine for the purpose of sales, possession of ammunition by a felon. He was sentenced to a term of eight years and eight months prison. This conviction, which is his commitment offense, was his third separate felony conviction relating to possessing methamphetamine for the purpose of sales.

On November 9, 2012, Gang officers received a tip from a confidential informant that Inmate Jarrell was selling methamphetamine around a specific area of Sacramento. Officers located Inmate Jarrell, then searched him incident to his arrest on an outstanding warrant. Officers located approximately one ounce of methamphetamine in his jacket pocket. The vehicle Inmate Jarrell arrived in was also searched and found to contain dozens of plastic baggies, a digital scale hidden in a tire compartment and more methamphetamine. Officers searched Inmate Jarrell's cell phone and found text messages indicative of thousands of dollars' worth of methamphetamine sales. Inmate Jarrell was convicted of possessing the methamphetamine for the purpose of sales and was sentenced to two years county jail prison.

Between May 1st and June 3rd of 2006, Inmate Jarrell was involved in a conspiracy to traffic large quantities of methamphetamine in association with over a dozen other individuals including

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validated gang members and a significant multi-pound dealer that had come to the attention of law enforcement. During the extensive surveillance operation which included multiple wiretaps, officers discovered approximately 20 firearms which included *assault rifles, machine guns, automatic and semi-automatic handguns, silencers, ballistic vests, and three pounds of methamphetamine*. Inmate Jarrell was specifically observed arranging methamphetamine sales transactions with the significant multi-pound dealer that was the original target of the operation. When a search warrant was executed on Inmate Jarrell's residence they discovered methamphetamine, several hundred plastic baggies and a digital scale. Inmate Jarrell was convicted of conspiracy to possess methamphetamine for the purpose of transportation/sales.

As this cursory review of Inmate Jarrell's criminal history and commitment offence show, Inmate Jarrell continues to put public safety at risk by engaging in the incredibly dangerous criminal lifestyle choice of being a multi-pound methamphetamine dealer. Setting aside the incredible societal cost inflicted by his pushing of methamphetamine to addicts on the streets, it must be noted that Inmate Jarrell's chosen trade is inextricably linked to gang activity and gun violence. Indeed, by October of 2014, Inmate Jarrell already had significant contacts with the criminal justice system and was thus was well aware of the increased criminal penalties associated with possessing ammunition and guns while being a methamphetamine dealer. Yet, he chose to make available to himself ammunition, and a loaded operable firearm right alongside over three pounds of methamphetamine. Clearly, the risk of increased criminal penalties was clearly a price Inmate Jarrell was willing to pay in light of the inherent dangerousness and violence associated with being a multi-pound meth dealer.

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 comment on inmate Jarrell's prison conduct. However, from the record that is available it is clear that inmate Jarrell should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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