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Non-Violent Second Striker Board of Parole Hearings  
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Re: Lee, Leon    **Case no:** 10F00128

Dear Sir/Madam:

I write in opposition to the early release of Leon Lee, who is currently pending consideration as a "Non-Violent Second Striker". The circumstances surrounding his current convictions and his prior criminal record show that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

"The fear of burglars is not only the fear of being robbed, but also the fear of a sudden and unexpected clutch out of the darkness". - Elias Canetti

This quote sums up the feelings of Mr. M [REDACTED], one of Mr. Lee's many victims, who expressed that the burglar who broke into his home invaded his and his family's privacy. Mr. Lee was 22 years old when he was convicted of 3 separate counts of residential burglary, the commitment offenses. One of these burglaries was so brazen that he actually waived at one of his victim's neighbors as he was loading stolen property into his get-away vehicle. It was this neighbor who provided Mr. Lee's license plate number to law enforcement that led to his arrest. Among stolen items recovered from Mr. Lee's residence was a stolen camera on which there was a digital photograph of him posing with a handgun he had stolen during one of his burglaries. In the photograph, Mr. Lee was smiling and wearing a military combat helmet. The helmet was identified as belonging to one of his victims who was a veteran who had worn the helmet while serving our nation.

Mr. Lee's crimes were not only distasteful and a violation of his victims' privacy and security. They were also extremely dangerous and violent. The burglary that Mr. Lee committed on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 was in the garage of a residence. A marijuana transaction had been planned. During the course of the transaction, he came into the garage armed with a handgun along with an unidentified male who was armed with an AK-47 assault rifle. A struggle ensued and 2 victims were shot by the male with the assault rifle. Mr. Lee fled the scene after the shooting.

It is important to consider that all of these burglaries were committed by Mr. Lee while he was on probation for another conviction for residential burglary. In fact, he committed all of the commitment offenses in the same year that he was convicted and given a chance on probation; in 2009. [REDACTED]

Mr. Lee has consistently demonstrated not only complete disregard for the dangers inherent in residential burglaries, he increased the danger to others by arming himself with a handgun in what would be his final burglary before being arrested. During the course of that burglary, 2 victims were shot, although not by the defendant, but rather his accomplice. His release back into society should be delayed for as long as legally permissible. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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