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Non Violent Parole Review Process
Board of Parole Hearings
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Re: Simpson, Joseph
CDCR No. BH6858
Docket No. 18FE012025

Inmate Simpson is a well-documented felon, and should not be paroled. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction as well as his prior criminal record show that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

In 1977, when our Legislature created the Career Criminal Prosecution program and defined a “career criminal” (see Penal Code §§ 999b-999g), the type of offender they envisioned was Inmate Simpson, a man who is the perfect fit for our state’s definition of career criminal.

In his commitment offense, Inmate Simpson and his co-defendant committed a series of brazen thefts from businesses all over Sacramento County. In a typical incident, Simpson would pretend to be shopping for a cell phone, and ask to see different models. When the salesperson placed the phones on the counter, Simpson would grab the merchandise and run out to a waiting vehicle driven by the co-defendant. In one such incident, Simpson was followed outside by the manager of the store. When the manager tried to retrieve the merchandise, Simpson and the co-defendant drove away in the vehicle, dragging the manager to the ground.

Inmate Simpson’s conduct includes vehicle theft, drug possession, grand theft, and presenting false identification. Simpson has shown time and time again that when given the chance, he will continue to commit thefts and robberies, thus endangering the safety of the community.
As we are given limited time to respond, and are not provided any disciplinary history or other information aside from the one-page notice of parole review, I cannot comment on Inmate Simpson’s prison conduct. However, from the record that is available, Simpson should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk to the community. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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