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**Re: Darrough, Michael CDC # BG3363 Court Docket: 17FE009999**

Inmate Darrough is a well-established violent felon, and 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.

In April of 2017 Inmate Darrough was observed and recognized by Sacramento County Sheriff's deputies in the front yard of a residence that was not Darrough's home. At that time, Inmate Darrough was on supervision as a result of a recent felony conviction. After some period of observation, detectives with the Sheriff's Department attempted to make contact with Darrough. Darrough fled on foot. During the foot pursuit, law enforcement officers saw Darrough reach for his waistband as if to grab an item. Ultimately Darrough was able to escape by reaching and driving away in a Suburban SUV. Along the path of the route Darrough took, law enforcement found a revolver. Witnesses contacted on scene told law enforcement that they had previously seen Darrough with a firearm. The owner of the property where the firearm was found confirmed that the weapon was not hers. Darrough was prohibited from possessing a firearm because of his numerous prior felony convictions.

Darrough's criminal history is lengthy, and contains numerous entries for possessing dangerous weapons and for exhibiting dangerous conduct. In 2017 Darrough was convicted of a felony violation of HS 11370.1 when he was found in a car that contained an illegal firearm, along with some methamphetamine. Darrough had been convicted of the same charge in 2013, when he also had been found in possession of an illegal firearm and methamphetamine.

In 2012, while on the run as a parolee at large, Darrough was found with stolen property, and ultimately was convicted of a felony violation of Penal Code Section 496. In 2008 Darrough dangerously fled from police in a vehicle through a residential neighborhood at speeds up to 100 miles per hour, running through no less than ten stop signs and two red lights. Darrough was later convicted of VC 2800.2, felony evasion.

In 2002 Darrough was convicted of a felony violation of illegally possessing a firearm. Darrough had reportedly been given a firearm to hide by a witness to a crime. The weapon was later found in a garbage can by a 9-year-old child.

In 2002 Darrough fled from officers in a stolen vehicle, ultimately resulting in a collision. He was convicted of felony violations of VC 10851(a) and VC 2800.2(a). In 1995 he was convicted of another felony VC 10851(a).

Darrough's first felony conviction came in 1991. This event served as a broad sampling of his criminal instincts, and prelude, of sorts, of things to come. Inmate Darrough fled from law enforcement in a stolen vehicle at speeds above 100 miles per hour, and ran through multiple stop signs and stop lights. The chase ended when officers apprehended Darrough in a home that he had forced entry into. Darrough was in possession of a firearm when he was caught.

Inmate Darrough clearly has a specific brand of criminality, and it centers around illegal weapons, dangerous flight from police, and theft. He is a career criminal who is a dangerous and violent menace to the community whenever he is not incarcerated. To be granted relief on this petition would simply be an invitation for more dangerous behavior.

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 Darrough's prison conduct. However, from the record that is available it is clear that inmate Darrough 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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