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Non-Violent Parole Review Process
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Re: Saeteurn, Chio
CDCR No. BI8834
Court Docket Nos. 18FE012574, 18FE023390

Inmate Saeteurn is a violent felon who has demonstrated time and again that supervised release does not work for him and that he will continue to re-offend. The circumstances surrounding his current convictions and his prior criminal record show that, if released on early parole, Inmate Saeteurn poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

Criminal history demonstrating violence and failure to abide by conditions of release

From a review of available records, it appears that Inmate Saeteurn has either never successfully completed any conditional release in over 30 years, or if so, it was rare, and he reoffended almost immediately after being off conditional release. He has also committed violence offenses with guns and has repeatedly obtained firearms as a convicted felon showing complete disregard for the law and the safety of the community.

During the years of 1988 and 1989, Inmate Saeteurn was convicted three different times of burglary and went to prison for the first time. Upon his release in 1990, that same year, Inmate Saeteurn committed and was convicted of first-degree robbery while armed with a firearm and was sentenced to 7 years in state prison. This is both a serious and violent felony under California law. In that case, according to Sacramento Police Department Report No. 90-29826, the male victim and his girlfriend were coming out to get into the male victim’s car when they noticed that several subjects were inside of his car burglarizing it. A total of four suspects including Inmate Saeteurn were involved in burglarizing the car. The male victim confronted them and had a gun pointed at his face, the suspects got back into their own car and fled, stealing $250 cash from the male victim. The male victim was pursuing the suspects when they fired no less than 4 gunshots at him. Finally, the suspects’ vehicle stopped, and all four suspects, including Inmate Saeteurn, got out of the car, all armed with guns, and approached the male victim’s car and shot out his tires and then got back into their car and fled.
After serving 7 years and while still on parole, Inmate Saeteurn was caught in 2000 with a firearm as a convicted felon. He was convicted and sent back to prison. After his release from prison, he was later convicted in 2006 along with 9 other co-defendants of felony conspiracy regarding an illegal sturgeon operation.

While still on probation for that offense, in 2010, Inmate Saeteurn, along with two other co-defendants, committed and was later convicted of selling methamphetamine while armed with a firearm. According to Sacramento County Sheriff’s Office Report No. 10-254994, deputies conducted a probation search and located on Inmate Saeteurn's person a loaded .22 caliber handgun, 9 grams of methamphetamine divided up between 14 small Ziploc bags, a digital scale, a cell phone, and $1,000 in cash. Deputies also found a loaded .380 caliber magazine on his person. Inside of Inmate Saeteurn’s vehicle officers found two more loaded handguns, a .38 caliber handgun and a .380 handgun matching the magazine found on Inmate Saeteurn's person. Inmate Saeteurn was convicted of selling drugs and sent back to prison for 7 years.

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While still on parole from his last offense, on June 21, 2018, officers executed a search warrant on Inmate Saeteurn’s home on suspicion that he was running a large illegal gambling operation and selling drugs. Officers arrived and detained 15 individuals who all tried to flee, including Inmate Saeteurn.

Through interviews with witnesses and admissions from Inmate Saeteurn, officers learned that Inmate Saeteurn was running an illegal gambling operation including in person games and with computer terminals set up for online gambling. Inmate Saeteurn was also selling drugs and pills to the gambling customers. Inmate Saeteurn appeared to be the second in command of an organized ring and only answered to someone known to everyone only as “the professor.” Several witnesses would not speak with the police for fear of “[Inmate] Saeteurn and his associates” as they “were not people to mess with.”

In Inmate Saeteurn’s possession, officers found 12 grams of methamphetamine, a loaded Model A25 .25 caliber semi-automatic handgun, a .45 caliber black powder pistol and a cannister of black powder, a box of .22 caliber ammunition (55 rounds), $7,143 in cash, pay/credit logs, digital scales, .40 caliber ammunition, and computers set up and being used for illegal gambling. Inmate Saeteurn admitted to possessing both guns and to running an illegal gambling operation. He also admitted to going out and seeking out an illegal gun and purchasing it from a random person on the street and firing it several times to make sure that it worked.

Inmate Saeteurn was arrested that same day but posted bond the very next day and was released on bond on June 22, 2018.
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While Inmate Saeteurn was pending those charges released on bond, and while he was still on parole from his last prison sentence, on December 5, 2018, Inmate Saeteurn was pulled over for driving on an expired registration and later found to be driving on a suspended license. He was also in possession of a large knife, a fully loaded Astra Contable II .380 caliber handgun, and $8,000 in cash.

What these offenses and his criminal history make abundantly clear is that Inmate Saeteurn has no regard for the law and safety of members of our community. He is a drug dealer and organized crime participant who has violently offended using guns in the past and has repeatedly and illegally obtained guns and ammunition and resumed gang activities with dangerous weapons each time he is released. He has proven that he will victimize his community and he and his associates will strike fear into any and all they come into contact with.

From the record that is available it is clear that Inmate Saeteurn 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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