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Non Violent Parole Review Process
Board of Parole Hearings
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Re: Dauwalder, Daniel
 CDCR # AD0737
 Court Docket No. 12F01113

Inmate Dauwalder 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 to violence to the community.

On February 10, 2012, Inmate Dauwalder led officers on a vehicle pursuit as they attempted to make an enforcement stop on the vehicle he was driving. He jumped out of the car as it was still moving, at which time officers observed a dark firearm in his hand. The car collided with a pole, while Inmate Dauwalder was detained at gunpoint. A semi-automatic pistol was located near where he was detained.

Subsequently, on December 14, 2012, law enforcement responded to Inmate Dauwalder's residence to serve an arrest warrant for a Norteño gang member. A search of Inmate Dauwalder's room at that time revealed a loaded Glock 19 pistol with a 30-round magazine, a loaded 15-round magazine, and 17 grams of methamphetamine. Inmate Dauwalder was out on bail for his February offense when this arrest occurred.

Then, on December 17, 2012, while Inmate Dauwalder was in custody pending charges related to the above arrests, law enforcement was contacted by his stepfather about additional items that were located in Inmate Dauwalder's room. Law enforcement responded back to Inmate Dauwalder's home, and found a back pack that contained a firearm, ammunition, as well as Inmate Dauwalder's CDCR identification card.

As a result of the above crimes, Inmate Dauwalder was sentenced to a total of 20 years and 8 months for possession of a controlled substance for sale while armed with a firearm, multiple counts of being a felon in possession of firearms and ammunition, reckless evading, and enhancements for his prior convictions and committing new offenses while on bail.

Inmate Dauwalder is not permitted to possess firearms due to a prior felony conviction; which also involved a firearm. On June 13, 2007, officers responded to a call regarding an assault with a firearm. On scene officers tried to contact Inmate Dauwalder because he matched the suspect description. He fled on foot and was detained. In his path of travel, officers located a firearm. Inmate Dauwalder and the firearm were ultimately identified by the victim as being part of the assault. Inmate Dauwalder later told law enforcement that he had the firearm for protection because he was a “Northerner.” This offense resulted in his conviction for assault with a deadly weapon with an enhancement for use of a firearm, a strike offense.

In Inmate Dauwalder’s December 27, 2023, denial for release, the Board of Parole Hearings found that he posed a current, unreasonable risk of violence or a current, unreasonable risk of significant criminal activity to the community. The Board of Parole found his current crimes, his prior criminal record, and his institutional adjustment to all be aggravating factors in his case.

Inmate Dauwalder clearly has a long history with firearms and endangering the community while out of custody. Further, while in custody, he continues to break the rules and engage in criminal activity. He is not an individual who should be given a chance to be released early into the community.

As the District Attorney’s Office is only given thirty (30) days to respond and are not provided with any disciplinary history or other information aside from the one-page notice of parole review, I am unable to comment on Inmate Dauwalder’s prison conduct. However, from the record that is available, it is clear that Inmate Dauwalder should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should again be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mai Trieu". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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