

CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

Thursday, March 8, 2018

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Division of Criminal Justice
Office of the Chief State's Attorney
300 Corporate Place
Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Minutes

Members Present: *Hon. Robert Devlin (chair); Atty. Robert Farr; Atty. Kevin Kane; Chief Thomas Kulhawik; Chief Mark Palmer; Atty. Maureen Price-Boreland; Atty. Sarah Russell; John Santa (Vice Chair); Atty. David Shepack; Atty. Christine Rapillo; Gary Roberge; Atty. Thomas Ullmann; Atty. Natasha Pierre; Hon. Hillary Strackbein; Vivien Blackford; Carleton Giles and Hon. Gary White.*

Staff: *Alex Tsarkov (Executive Director)*

I. MEETING CONVENED

Judge Robert Devlin called the meeting to order at approximately 2:05 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2017

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the February 28th meeting. The minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

III. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Alex Tsarkov provided an update on the two bills submitted by the Commission to the Judiciary Committee. *HB 5578, An Act Concerning the Recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission with Respect to the Sexual Offender Registry*, and *HB 5544, An Act Concerning the Recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission with Respect to Misdemeanor Sentences* were raised by the Committee and will be heard at a public hearing.

IV. WORKING GROUP ON SENTENCE REVIEW, SENTENCE MODIFICATION AND MOTIONS TO CORRECT AN ILLEGAL SENTENCE

Judge Gary White provided an update on the first meeting held by the working group on sentence review, sentence modification and motions to correct an illegal sentence.

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V. ADOPTION AND SAFE FAMILIES ACT PROPOSAL

Atty. Maureen Price-Boreland and Atty. Christine Rapillo explained the Adoption and Safe Families Act Proposal that came from the Subcommittee on Collateral Consequences. After the discussion, the Commission unanimously approved the proposal to forward to the Judiciary Committee for the 2019 Legislative Session.

VI. UPDATE ON THE PRETRIAL RELEASE AND DETENTION STUDY

Judge Robert Devlin and Alex Tsarkov provided an update to the Commission on the work of the subcommittee on pretrial release and detention.

VII. SEX OFFENDER STUDY

Atty. Ullmann updated members on the subcommittee working to amend child pornography statutes.

VIII. 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Judge Robert Devlin and Alex Tsarkov described the proposed annual report. The report was adopted unanimously.

IX. MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35pm.