

CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 23rd, 2022

2:00 – 3:30 PM

Via Zoom

MINUTES

Members Present: Robin Pavia (Chair), John Santa (Vice Chair), Chris Burke (on behalf of Commissioner Delphin-Rittmon), Jennifer Zito, Chris Rapillo, Margaret Kelley, Gary Roberge, Mike Chase, Brian Foley (on behalf of Commissioner Rovella), Carleton Giles, Mike Chase, Bill Dyson, Hakima Bey-Coon (of behalf of Commissioner Pierre), Joan Alexander, Ashley McCarthy (on behalf of Commissioner Quiros), Patrick Carroll, Anna VanCleave, Maurice Reaves

Staff: Alex Tsarkov, Van Augur, Andrew Clark

Guests: Steve Ross, Miguel de Figueiredo, John Day, Reena Kapoor, Irvine Peck-Agaya, Aileen Keays

I. MEETING CONVENED

Vice Chairman Santa convened the meeting at 7:03 PM.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE 1.19.2022 MEETING

Motion: Commissioner Roberge
Second: Commissioner Zito
The motion passed unanimously

III. MEMBERSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE CHAIR

Judge Carroll announced new chair, Judge Pavia, to the Commission. Members introduced themselves. Vice Chair Santa noted Commissioner Rapillo will be departing the Division of Public Defender Services and thanked her for her contribution to the Commission. John Day will serve in the interim. Judge Pavia introduced a new member, Anna VanCleave appointed to the Commission by State Senator Martin Looney.

IV. DISPARITIES STUDY

Professor de Figueiredo provided an update on the disparities study.

V. COMMISSION 101 PRESENTATION

Mr. Tsarkov and Mr. Clark presented on the history and mission of the Sentencing Commission.

VI. APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL REPORT

Motion: Chris Rapillo

Second: John Santa

Discussion: Alex Tsarkov highlighted new data in the report on the utilization of ten percent bail in the report.

The motion passed without objection.

VII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- SB 425, *An Act Concerning Sentence Modification*
- HB 5390, *An Act Repealing Statutory Provisions that Impose Liability on an Individual for Repayment of Costs Incurred When the Individual Was Incarcerated*
- *An Act Concerning Sex Offender Registry*
- *An Act Restoring the Right to Vote*

Judge Pavia provided an update on the Commission's legislative proposals. The Sex Offender and Voting proposals were not raised. The proposals on the sentence modification and cost of incarceration were raised by the Judiciary Committee. Alex Tsarkov provided background on the two proposals.

VIII. COMMISSION UPDATES

- Mental Health Study
- Report on Pretrial Release and Detention
- NASC Conference

Judge Pavia and Alex Tsarkov provided updates on various studies and potential future projects. Judge Pavia noted there would be an effort to increase legislators' awareness of their abilities to make requests to the Commission.

IX. ADJOURNED

Judge Pavia adjourned the meeting at 3:10 P.M.