

# CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION

## **Regular Meeting**

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Legislative Office Building, Room 2D

300 Capitol Avenue

Hartford, CT

## **Minutes**

**Members Present:** *Hon. Robert Devlin (chair); Atty. Robert Farr; Atty. Kevin Kane; Chief Mark Palmer; Atty. Jennifer Zito; Atty. Sarah Russell; John Santa (Vice Chair); Atty. David Shepack; Atty. Christine Rapillo; Gary Roberge; Atty. Natasha Pierre; Hon. Hillary Strackbein; 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 MARCH 8, 2018**

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. The minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

### **III. COMMISSION AND STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

Jennifer Zito has been appointed to the Sentencing Commission by the Connecticut Defense Lawyers Association. Judge Robert Devlin nominated Bob Farr to join the Steering Committee. The nomination was seconded and approved unanimously.

### **IV. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Judge Robert Devlin and 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*.

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## **V. THE TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS COUNCIL PRESENTATION**

Jillian Gilchrest of the Connecticut Trafficking in Persons Council presented on the Council's recommendation to forward to the Sentencing Commission a proposal dealing with the unlawful decimation of an intimate image statute.

## **VI. SENTENCING ANALYSIS OF CRIMES INVOLVING FIREARMS**

Renee LaMark Muir presented the study scope of the sentencing analysis of crimes involving firearms.

## **VII. COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES SUBCOMMITTEE**

John Santa gave an update on the work of the Collateral Consequences Subcommittee.

## **VIII. WORKING GROUP ON SENTENCE REVIEW, SENTENCE MODIFICATION AND MOTIONS TO CORRECT AN ILLEGAL SENTENCE**

Judge Gary White provided an update on the work of the Subcommittee on Sentence Review, Sentence Modification and Motions to Correct and Illegal Sentence.

## **IX. PRETRIAL RELEASE AND DETENTION**

Judge Robert Devlin and Alex Tsarkov provided an update on the work of the Pretrial Release and Detention Subcommittee.

## **X. SEX OFFENDER STUDY**

Atty. Bob Farr gave an update on the work of the subcommittee looking to amend child pornography statutes.

## **XI. 2018 COMMISSION SYMPOSIUM**

Alex Tsarkov gave an update on the planning of the symposium on sex offender sentencing, management and registry issues.

## **XII. MEETING ADJOURNED**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm.