

# CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION

## **Regular Meeting**

May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

2:00 – 3:30 PM

Video Conference Call

## **MINUTES**

**Members Present:** *Robert J. Devlin, Jr. (chair), John Santa (vice-chair), Carleton Giles, Chris Rapillo, Eleanor Michael (on behalf of Marc Pelka), Gail Hardy, Garry Roberge, Jen Zito, John Santa, Mark Palmer, Michael Norko (on behalf of Miriam Delphin-Rittmon), Patrick L. Carroll, III, Richard Colangelo, Jr., Thomas Kulhawik, Bill Dyson, Rollin Cook, James Rovella, and Sarah Russell*

**Guests:** *Jon Silbert (retired judge), Jesse Jannetta (Urban Institute), KiDeuk Kim (Urban Institute)*

**Staff:** *Alex Tsarkov (Executive Director), Andrew Clark, Van Augur*

### I. MEETING CONVENED

The meeting convened at 2:05 p.m.

### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE 4.17.2020 MEETING

John Santa made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Bill Dyson. The minutes were unanimously approved.

### III. 2020 LEGISLATE UPDATE

Alex Tsarkov updated the Commission on the bills the Commission had supported during the 2020 legislative session. Alex noted that the legislature had adjourned, and a special session will likely occur sometime over the summer. Commissioner Dyson noted that all legislation from the 2020 session need to be reintroduced and that there may be a large volume of legislation competing for the General Assembly's agenda during the special session.

IV. REPORT FROM THE URBAN INSTITUTE

KiDeuk Kim and Jesse Jannetta shared a presentation on the findings from their 2019 report on Connecticut's Pretrial Risk and Needs Assessment tool. Commissioners Santa and Roberge commented on potential future research on Connecticut's pretrial tool.

V. PRETRIAL RELEASE AND DETENTION

Jon Silbert updated the Commission on the progress of work to respond to Sen. Martin Looney's request for a proposal that would reduce the pretrial population through the elimination of monetary bail conditions.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.