

# CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION

## Regular Meeting

Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

2:00 – 3:30 PM

Via Zoom

## MINUTES

**Members Present:** Robin Pavia (Chair), John Santa (Vice Chair), Jennifer Zito, Margaret Kelley, Gary Roberge, Commissioner Rovella, Carleton Giles, Mike Chase, Bill Dyson, Natasha Pierre, Commissioner Quiros, Patrick Carroll, Patrick Griffin, Scott Sansom, Deborah Del Prete Sullivan, John Day, Anna VanCleave, Marc Pelka.

**Staff:** Alex Tsarkov, Andrew Clark.

**Guests:** State Rep. Jillian Gilchrest, State Rep. Dorinda Keenan Borer.

### I. MEETING CONVENED

Judge Pavia convened the meeting at 2:05 PM.

### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE 3.23.2022 MEETING

Motion: Commissioner Santa

Second: Commissioner Zito

The motion passed unanimously

### III. MEMBERSHIP

Judge Pavia announced new members to the Sentencing Commission. Anna VanCleave was appointed to the Sentencing Commission by President Pro Tempore of the Connecticut State Senate. Chief Scott Sansom of the East Hartford Police Department was appointed by the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association. Subira Gordon was appointed to the Commission by the State Senate Majority Leader. Judge Alexander is stepping down from the Sentencing Commission due to her appointment to the Connecticut Supreme Court. Patrick Griffin was appointed as the new Chief State's Attorney.

### IV. STATE REPRESENTATIVE JILLIAN GILCHREST

State Representative Gilchrest addressed the Sentencing Commission regarding the request from the Trafficking in Persons Council to examine the state and federal human trafficking statutes.

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## V. STATE REPRESENTATIVE DORINDA KEENAN BORER

State Representative Dorinda Borer addressed the Sentencing Commission with the request to examine animal cruelty statutes.

## VI. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Judge Pavia and Alex Tsarkov provided an update on the following proposals from the Sentencing Commission to the General Assembly:

- An Act Concerning Sex Offender Registry
- An Act Restoring the Right to Vote
- 425, An Act Concerning Sentence Modification
- Cost of Incarceration provisions (§§ 461-462) in HB 5506, An Act Adjusting the State Budget for the Biennium Ending June 30, 2023, Concerning Provisions Related to Revenue, School Construction and Other Items to Implement the State Budget and Authorizing and Adjusting Bonds for the State.

## VI. REPORT ON PRETRIAL RELEASE AND DETENTION

Alex Tsarkov and Judge Silbert went over the highlights of the Report on Pretrial Release and Detention pursuant to a request from Senator Martin Looney.

## VIII. OTHER UPDATES AND FUTURE PROJECTS

- Collateral Consequences and Incarceration Subcommittee

Sarah Russell announced June 8<sup>th</sup> as the date for the meeting of the subcommittee.

- Mental Health Study

Judge Pavia highlighted mental health as the area of continued focus for the Sentencing Commission.

- National Association of Sentencing Commissions Conference, Aug 8-10

Alex Tsarkov notified the Commission of the National Association of Sentencing Commissions Conference in Portland, Oregon on August 8-10.

## V. ADJOURNED

Judge Pavia adjourned the meeting at 3:20 P.M.