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Board of Parole Hearings
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**Re: Inmate Quintin Monk; CDCR AY1636
Ventura County Superior Court Case 2014037473
Opposition Letter Due to Board of Parole Hearings December 7, 2018**

Dear Board Members:

This letter is written to recommend denial of early parole for inmate Quintin Monk. On October 20, 2015, the inmate was sentenced to nine years in prison, with 314 days of actual credit. Releasing the inmate now means he would serve less than 50 percent of his actual sentence. This recommendation to deny early release is based upon:

- 1) The inmate's commitment offense.
- 2) The inmate's significant criminal history.
- 3) The unreasonable risk of significant criminal conduct and violence if released early.

CIRCUMSTANCES OF COMMITMENT OFFENSE

On December 10, 2014, police stopped the inmate and his passenger, victim Cecelie Christiansen (aged 23), for a traffic violation. The inmate identified Ms. Christiansen as his wife and stated they were on their way to visit her parents. Ms. Christiansen provided the officer with a Danish passport as identification. The inmate opened his glove box to provide vehicle paperwork when the officer observed a box of condoms and approximately \$100 in cash inside. It was determined the inmate was on parole out of Los Angeles County. A search of his car was conducted and yielded clothing consistent with erotic dancing, a prosthetic penis, and additional condoms. Ms. Christiansen stated they were on their way to "meet some people." A search of her

purse located a can of pepper spray. After contacting parole, police arrested the inmate for a parole violation for being in Ventura County without permission from his parole agent.

With the inmate in custody, police spoke with Ms. Christiansen again. She stated she was from Denmark and came to the US to find a job. She met the inmate on an online site and married him shortly thereafter. She admitted working as a prostitute for several months to support her and the inmate. She stated she meets multiple men a day through the Backpage.com website that was created by the inmate, and that all the money she earned from prostitution paid for housing, rental cars and clothing for herself and the inmate. She said she uses the name "Erica" as her alias for prostitution purposes. A search of her cell phone revealed text messages negotiating prices and types of sex acts. A search of her Backpage.com page advertised her as "Erica" for "outcalls only" with a "donation" of \$200-\$250 an hour.

Under Miranda, the inmate denied knowing the victim had a Backpage.com ad and denied she was working as a prostitute. He admitted he met her on an internet dating site and married her two weeks later. He denied having any involvement in her prostitution. The inmate had numerous tattoos, including "PIMP," "Ho Up or Blow Up," "Keep Hustling," and "It's Pimpn Bitch!" He was arrested for felony pimping.

At the preliminary hearing, the victim testified she began prostituting in May 2014 through another man and met the inmate in August 2014 after he answered the Backpage.com ad placed by her former pimp. She testified she continued to engage in prostitution to support the inmate once they married. She testified the inmate negotiated with clients via text message and would wait in the car, while she engaged in prostitution.

The inmate was interviewed on August 24, 2015, as part of his sentencing. He stated the victim is lying and everything she testified to was untrue. He said she "manipulated me" because her visa expired, and she wanted to be a US citizen. The victim paid him to marry her and she even purchased the wedding rings. The victim was already "working" when he met her; he did not force her to be a prostitute. He told her to stop many times and wanted her to start a new life with him. He was making money betting on sports and that he "messed up" by helping her get out of her visa situation.

The inmate pled guilty to pimping. He admitted two strike priors and five prison priors. Although he was facing 17 years in prison, the court struck all but one of the prison priors and sentenced him to 9 years in prison.

CRIMINAL HISTORY

This inmate has a long history of committing violent offenses and preying on women. Although the inmate has a significant juvenile record that includes robbery, this letter will focus on his adult record. The inmate was arrested for robbery in February 2001. He was convicted of second-degree burglary and was sentenced to three years in prison. The inmate was arrested for robbery and second-degree burglary in November 2002. He was convicted of theft with priors and second-degree burglary and was sentenced to two years in prison.

The inmate was arrested for robbery in Los Angeles in May 2004 and sentenced to two years in prison. The inmate was arrested for another robbery in April 2004. In September 2005, he pled guilty to theft from person and was sentenced to two years in prison.

The inmate pled guilty to a robbery and pimping in November 2006. This involved the inmate having sex with and pimping a 14-year-old victim. The victim recalled having sexual intercourse with five men and performing "hand jobs" on another five men. These acts occurred in a motel room secured by the inmate. Furthermore, the money earned from these "appointments" was given to the inmate. The inmate was sentenced to 6 years 8 months in prison for these crimes and was paroled in March 2012. He remained on parole supervision until the commitment offense.

DISCUSSION

Granting early parole of this inmate poses a safety risk to the community. The inmate is a repeated robber and pimp. The inmate has been arrested for numerous thefts over the years. Furthermore, he has been committed to prison for two different pimping offenses. After being sentenced to over six years in prison for his last offense, he promptly continued with the same behavior, and victimized Ms. Christiansen in the same manner. Furthermore, he has refused to take responsibility for his actions, attempted to withdraw his plea, and claimed he was the victim and that Ms. Christiansen was framing him.

The inmate's refusal to learn from his prior behavior demonstrates he will continue to engage in violent criminal conduct when released. Previous grants of parole failed to curb the inmate's appetite for criminal activity. Considering the inmate's serious crimes against the public and his past conviction for similar conduct, justice requires the inmate serve his full sentence.

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CONCLUSION

The inmate poses an unreasonable risk of violence and significant criminal conduct if granted early parole. I respectfully request the Board deny early parole for the inmate.

Very truly yours,



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