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INTRODUCTION

Parole of federal prisoners began after enactment of legislation on June 25, 1910. There were three federal penitentiaries and parole was granted by a parole board at each institution. The membership of each parole board consisted of the warden of the institution, the physician of the institution, and the Superintendent of Prisons of the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C.

By legislation of May 13, 1930, a single Board of Parole in Washington, D.C. was established. This Board consisted of three members, serving full time, appointed by the Attorney General. The Bureau of Prisons performed the administrative functions of the Board. In August 1945, the Attorney General ordered that the Board report directly to him for administrative purposes. In August 1948, due to a postwar increase in prison population, the Attorney General appointed two additional members, increasing the Board of Parole to five members.

By legislation of September 30, 1950, the Board was increased to eight members appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, for six-year, staggered terms. The Board was placed in the Department of Justice for administrative purposes. Three of the eight members were designated by the Attorney General to serve as a Youth Corrections Division pursuant to the Youth Corrections Act.

In October 1972, the Board of Parole began a pilot reorganization project that eventually included the establishment of five regions, creation of explicit guidelines for parole release decision-making, provision of written reasons for parole decisions, and an administrative appeal process. By October 1974, five regions were operational with one member and five hearing examiners assigned to each region. The chairman and two members remained in Washington, D.C., at the headquarters office.

In May 1976, the Parole Commission and Reorganization Act took effect. This Act re-titled the Board of Parole as the United States Parole Commission and established it as an independent agency within the Department of Justice. The Act provided for nine commissioners appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, for six year terms. These included a chairman, five regional commissioners, and a three-member National Appeals Board. In addition, the Act incorporated the major features of the Board of Parole's pilot reorganization project: a requirement for explicit guidelines for parole decision-making and written reasons for parole denial; a regional structure; and an administrative appeal process. The Youth Corrections Division of the Board of Parole was eliminated and its duties absorbed by the Commission.

Eight years later, the Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984 created a United States Sentencing Commission to establish sentencing guidelines for the federal courts and established a regime of determinate sentences. The Chairman of the Parole Commission is an ex-officio, non-voting, member of the Sentencing Commission. The decision to establish sentencing guidelines was based in substantial part on the success of the U.S. Parole Commission in developing and implementing its parole guidelines. On April 13, 1987, the U.S. Sentencing Commission submitted
to Congress its initial set of sentencing guidelines, which took effect on November 1, 1987. Defendants sentenced for offenses committed on or after November 1, 1987 serve determinate terms under the sentencing guidelines and are not eligible for parole consideration. Post-release supervision, termed “supervised release,” is provided as a separate part of the sentence under the jurisdiction of the court.

Under the Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984, the United States Parole Commission retained jurisdiction over defendants who committed their offenses prior to November 1, 1987. At the same time, the Act provided for the abolition of the Parole Commission on November 1, 1992 (five years after the sentencing guidelines took effect). This phase-out provision did not adequately provide for persons sentenced under the law in effect prior to November 1, 1987 who had not yet completed their sentences. Elimination of, or reduction in, parole eligibility for such cases would raise a serious ex post facto issue. To address this problem, the Judicial Improvements Act of 1990 extended the life of the Parole Commission until November 1, 1997.

The Parole Commission Phaseout Act of 1996 again extended the life of the Parole Commission for the same reason. This Act authorized the continuation of the Parole Commission until November 1, 2002. In addition, it provided for a reduction in the number of Parole Commissioners – to two Commissioners by December 31, 1999, and one Commissioner by December 31, 2001 – and required the Attorney General, beginning in 1998, to report to Congress annually on whether it was more cost effective for the Parole Commission to continue as a separate agency or for its remaining functions to be transferred elsewhere. The Attorney General has reported each year that it is more cost effective for the Parole Commission to continue as a separate agency.

The National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 gave the Parole Commission significant additional responsibilities. First, the Act provided for the abolition of the District of Columbia Board of Parole by August 5, 2000 and the transfer of its responsibilities to the U.S. Parole Commission. On August 5, 1998, the Parole Commission assumed jurisdiction over all parole release decisions for prisoners confined under D.C. Code felony sentences. On August 5, 2000, the Parole Commission assumed jurisdiction over parole and mandatory release supervision and revocation decisions for all persons serving D.C. Code felony sentences. Second, the Act required the District of Columbia to move to a determinate sentencing system (at least for certain offenses), provided for terms of supervised release to follow the determinate sentences to be imposed, and gave the Parole Commission ongoing responsibility for supervision and revocation decisions for D.C. Code offenders subject to terms of supervised release under the new determinate sentencing system. In August 2000, the District of Columbia enacted a determinate sentencing system for all offenses committed on or after August 5, 2000. At the end of 2001, the first D.C. Code determinate sentence cases were released from prison on supervised release under the jurisdiction of the Parole Commission. Third, the Act repealed the portion of the 1996 Act that reduced the number of Parole Commissioners authorized and instead provided for five Parole Commissioners.

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*As the statute was signed on August 11, 2000 at 5:00 p.m., offenses committed on or after August 5, 2000 but before August 11, 2000 at 5:00 p.m. may be subject to the provisions of the ex post facto clause.
Since the decision to abolish the Parole Commission in the *Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984*, Congress has twice extended the life of the Parole Commission, most recently until November 1, 2002. Congress also has given the Parole Commission additional ongoing responsibilities, including the responsibility for making prison-term decisions in foreign transfer treaty cases for offenses committed on or after November 1, 1987 (*Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988*); jurisdiction over all state defendants who are accepted into the U.S. Marshals Service Witness Protection Program (*Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988*); the responsibility for the release and supervision of all remaining indeterminate sentence D.C. Code felony offenders (*National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997*); and responsibility for the supervision of all new-law D.C. Code determinate sentence felony offenders released on supervised release (*National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997*). In addition to the above responsibilities, the Parole Commission continues to have responsibility for the remaining “old-law” indeterminate sentence federal offenders in prison or under supervision, as well as ongoing responsibility for military code offenders serving sentences in Bureau of Prisons institutions.

In the *Parole Commission Phaseout Act of 1996*, Congress recognized that some form of parole function would have to remain beyond 2002, but this Act did not envision the substantial, ongoing responsibilities for D.C. Code felony offenders given the Parole Commission by the *National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997*.

The *21St Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act of 2002* extended the life of the Parole Commission until November 1, 2005. The Act also requests a study be completed prior to that date examining whether responsibility for supervised release for offenders sentenced out of the District of Columbia Superior Court should remain with the Parole Commission or be transferred to another agency. As of the preparation of this document (May 2003), the status of the Parole Commission beyond November 1, 2005 remains unresolved.

Part 1 presents a chronological history of the federal parole system from its origin to the present day.

Part 2 provides a list of the sixty-three men and women who have served as Members/Commissioners of the U.S. Board of Parole/U.S. Parole Commission and a brief biographical sketch for each.

Part 3 illustrates the workload of the U.S. Board of Parole/U.S. Parole Commission from 1931 to the present.

Part 4 contains a list of books, articles, and other materials relevant to the history of the federal parole system.
PART 1 – A CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THE FEDERAL PAROLE SYSTEM

The precursors of parole in the federal system were (1) the exercise of the Presidential power to commute sentences, and (2) the reduction in the term of imprisonment by institutional officials for good conduct. In each case, the prisoner was released from imprisonment prior to the expiration of the sentence set by the court.

Set forth below is a chronological history of the federal parole system. Significant events are shown corresponding to the date listed. At the end of each entry, the source material is shown in brackets. Entries without a bracketed citation are based either on the source described in the entry itself or on the personal knowledge of the author. The following are the primary source materials used:


ARUSBP Annual Report of the United States Board of Parole. The year covered by the report is shown in parentheses.

ARUSPC Annual Report of the United States Parole Commission. The year covered by the report is shown in parentheses.


FPJ Federal Probation Journal. Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts. The volume and number are shown in parentheses (e.g., 4/2 is Volume 4, Number 2).


PDMSR Parole Decision Making: Selected Reprints. U.S. Parole Commission. The volume number is shown in parentheses. Six volumes containing reprints of articles concerning parole decision making. Many of the articles were prepared by staff of the U.S. Parole Commission.
### CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY

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<td>The first statute providing for the reduction of sentences of federal prisoners because of good conduct was enacted. This statute authorized a deduction of one month in each year from the term of sentence of federal prisoners confined in state jails or penitentiaries, upon the certificate of the warden or keeper with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior. [AGSRP]</td>
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| 1870 | The Department of Justice was created. [AGSRP]  
  The good time statute was amended to provide that the good time specified in the act of 1867 applied only to institutions in which no other good time credits were allowed. In all other cases, the deductions applicable to state prisoners were to apply. [AGSRP] |
| 1872 | The duties of the Secretary of the Interior relating to the imprisonment and discharge of federal prisoners were transferred to the Department of Justice. [AGSRP] |
| 1875 | The schedule of credits was changed so that federal prisoners in any state or territorial institution in which no system of good time credits existed might earn a credit of five days for each month in which no charge of misconduct was sustained. [AGSRP] |
| 1891 | As part of legislation providing for the establishment of federal prisons, the Attorney General was given authority for the reduction of sentences for good behavior, but not to exceed two months for the first or any succeeding year of imprisonment. [AGSRP] |
| 1902 | A general revision of the good-time credit statute was made, placing all federal prisoners, wherever confined, on an equal basis. The schedule of good-time credits was made more liberal and graduated so as to increase with the length of sentence. The credits allowed per month follow: Five days upon a sentence of not less than 6 months nor more than 1 year; six days upon a sentence of more than one year and less than 3 years; seven days on sentence of at least 3 years but less than 5 years; eight days on a sentence of at least 5 years but less than 10 years; and ten days on a sentence of 10 years or more. In addition, a prisoner in a camp or employed in prison industry could earn an additional three days per month in the first year and five days per month in each succeeding year. [AGSRP]  
  Good-time credits are primarily under the control of the officials of the institution at which the prisoner is confined. Forfeitures for breach of institutional rules are determined by the warden after the prisoner has been given a hearing before a
disciplinary board composed of three members of the prison staff with the deputy warden or disciplinary officer acting as chairman. The prisoner has the privilege of replying and may choose some member of the staff to represent him as counsel. This board thoroughly investigates the alleged misconduct, hears the prisoner and any witnesses he may wish to present, and the members individually recommend to the warden the extent of discipline. The Bureau of Prisons issues general policies concerning the administration of good-time deductions. [AGSRP]

The Attorney General is granted authority to restore credits lost because of misconduct of prisoners in any United States penitentiary upon recommendation and evidence submitted to him by the warden in charge. As to prisoners in state or territorial institutions, restorations are governed by the rules of the particular institution. [AGSRP]

There was no post-release supervision for persons released by good time. [HUSBP]

1910

The federal parole system was created with the passage of an act authorizing the parole of prisoners sentenced to terms of one year or more. Any such prisoner was made eligible for parole upon the expiration of one-third of his or her sentence. The power to grant and revoke parole was placed in the hands of the respective boards of parole established at the several penitentiaries and prisons. The board of parole at each penitentiary was composed of the superintendent of prisons in the Department of Justice and the warden and physician of the particular penitentiary. The board of parole at any federal prison other than a penitentiary was composed of the superintendent of prisons and such officers of the particular prison as the Attorney General designated. [AGSRP]

The first person to hold the position of Superintendent of Prisons was Robert V. Ladow. [HUSBP]

A parole officer was provided for each penitentiary to supervise parolees and to perform such other duties as the board of parole might direct. It was provided that supervision of parolees might also be devolved upon the United States Marshals. [AGSRP]

The parole officer at each penitentiary served mainly as a clearing house for the volunteers and United States Marshals who had personal contact with the parolees. [ARUSBP (1970-72)]

The Act of 1910 also provided that whenever any person has been convicted of any offense against the United States and sentenced and confined in any state reformatory or institution, he becomes subject to the parole laws applicable to the inmates of such institution. [AGSRP]
The Act of 1910 further provided that no parole from either a state or federal institution became effective until approved by the Attorney General. [AGSRP]

Upon violation of parole, the Warden or any member of the institutional board of parole was empowered to issue a warrant for his retaking. A revocation hearing was conducted by the board of parole at the institution soon after his return. Each institution employed a parole officer (at a salary not to exceed $1,500) to assist parole applicants in obtaining employment and supervise parolees after release. U.S. Marshals were used as parole supervisors when needed. A system of monthly reports by parolees and their "first friends" was initiated. [HUSBP]

1911  The first Rules of the Board of Parole were promulgated. [HUSBP]

1913  The federal parole statute was amended so as to make prisoners serving a life term eligible for parole after the service of 15 years. [AGSRP]

No further amendments were made to the parole law until 1930. [AGSRP]

1930  The federal parole system was materially altered by legislation in 1930:

- In lieu of the several institutional parole boards, there was created a single parole board in the Department of Justice to be composed of three members appointed by the Attorney General. This board (the United States Board of Parole) was given power to grant parole without any requirement of approval by the Attorney General. Salaries for the three parole board members in 1930 were $7,500 per year each.

- Eligibility for parole of persons sentenced to federal institutions with sentences of more than one year was set at one third of the maximum sentence or 15 years in the case of a life sentence:

- "Every prisoner who has been or may hereafter be convicted of any offense against the United States and is confined in any United States penitentiary or prison, for a definite term or terms of over 1 year, or for the term of his natural life, whose record of conduct shows that he has observed the rules of the rules of such institution, and who, if sentenced for a definite term, has served one-third of the total of the term or terms for which he was sentenced, or, if sentenced for the term of his natural life has served not less than 15 years, may be released on parole" if it appears to the Board of Parole "that such applicant will live and remain at liberty without violating the laws, and if in the opinion of the Board such release is not incompatible with the welfare of society."

- A federal offender serving his sentence in a state institution was eligible for
parole under the same terms and conditions and by the same authority as a prisoner committed to that institution by a state court, but all such paroles were subject to approval by the United States Board of Parole. Supervision within the state was provided by state authorities. If the parolee was permitted to return to his home outside that state, his supervision was devolved upon the United States Marshal in the district in which the parolee resided.

- The legislation also provided for the transfer of the supervision of federal parolees to the probation officers that supervised probationers for the federal courts by providing that federal probation officers shall perform such duties with respect to persons on parole as the Attorney General shall request. The position of federal probation officer had been established by legislation in 1925 that for the first time authorized courts to impose probation in federal cases. As originally enacted, the probation statute required appointments for probation officers to be made by the judge of the particular district from the civil service register, but in 1930 the requirement for use of the civil service register was removed. The Bureau of Prisons (which had general oversight responsibility for the probation system) promulgated general qualifications which appointees should possess. In brief, these provided that persons selected should have physical vigor and mental adaptability, at least a high school education plus one year in college or a year's experience in organized probation work, and thorough training in the technique of social investigation. General oversight of supervision activities with respect to persons on parole was provided by the parole executive whose office was attached to the Board of Parole in Washington, D.C. [AGSRP]

Appointments to the parole board by the Attorney General were for an indefinite period. [HUSBP]

Although the Federal Probation Act was passed in 1925, the first Congressional appropriation to implement that act was in 1927, and five officers were appointed that year. Two more were appointed in 1928, including Richard A. Chappell who was later to serve on the Board of Parole. [HUSBP]

Preparation for parole was the responsibility of institutional parole officers, who, as staff members in the several institutions, participated in classification procedures, developed social histories, prepared and assembled official reports, and were responsible for social case work involving the prisoner and his or her family in the community. Under the original parole act, an institutional parole officer was appointed by the parole board at each institution. In 1930, this authority was transferred to the United States Board of Parole, but was actually exercised by the Bureau of Prisons, subject to the satisfaction of the Board of Parole. In 1930, the salary of an institutional parole officer was set at $2,000 to $2,600 per year.
The first offices of the Board of Parole were located in Room 201 of the Tower Building in Washington, D.C. The first three parole board members entered on duty on June 13, 1930. An executive secretary was employed to act as the administrative officer of the board. [HUSBP]

In the Board's first year of operation, the Board's three members traveled as a group to hold hearings in institutions. After a short experimental period in which they discovered that two-thirds of their time was spent in travel status, they began traveling singly to conduct hearings with the vote taken later at headquarters in Washington, D.C. When traveling as a group, the Board heard an average of 40 cases per day and made on-the-spot decisions relative to parole. The Board also made decisions on federal prisoners serving sentences in state institutions. In these cases, a local board made recommendations to the Board of Parole. [HUSBP]

During the first year of operation, the Board heard a large number of offenders who had violated the National Prohibition Act. In the year or two after the Board was created, it paroled a large percentage of this type of law violator. [HUSBP]

Due to the volume of work, three secretaries were assigned to the parole board in addition to the administrative clerk. Two reporters were also employed to transcribe the Board's hearings. [HUSBP]

Legislation was enacted providing for parole for the purposes of deportation. During this year, 133 such paroles were granted. [HUSBP]

Two significant amendments were made to the parole law. First, it was provided that a parolee shall continue on parole until the expiration of the maximum terms specified in his sentence without deduction for such allowance for good conduct. Previously, in the case of a person who was released on parole, good conduct deductions earned in prison operated to shorten the period of parole. Second, it was provided that any person to whom parole is not granted, but who is released prior to the expiration of the maximum term because of good-conduct deductions shall upon release be treated as if released on parole and shall be subject to all provisions of law relating to the parole of United States prisoners until the maximum term or terms specified in his sentence. [AGSRP]

Legislation creating a separate parole board for the District of Columbia removed from the federal parole board jurisdiction over prisoners confined in institutions of the District of Columbia. [HUSBP]

The National Prohibition Act was repealed and there was a dramatic reduction in the number of this type of law violator in federal prisons. The proportion of parole
The title of the administrative officer of the board was changed from executive secretary to parole executive. [HUSBP]

James V. Bennett was promoted from Assistant Director to Director of the Bureau of Prisons, replacing Sanford Bates. The Parole Board and the Federal Probation System were still assigned to the Bureau of Prisons and thus under Mr. Bennett's supervision. [HUSBP]

Reports written during this year show that there was an emphasis by the Board to ensure that parolees were returned to their bona fide residences at the time of their release. The Board attempted to "diminish the assaults and larcenies committed against prisoners en route to their homes" by mailing most of the prisoners' money to them at their city of residence. [HUSBP]

Myrl Alexander became the parole executive. Two years later he left the board and returned to his administrative duties at the Bureau of Prisons. Mr. Alexander later became the third director of the Bureau of Prisons. [HUSBP]

The Federal Juvenile Delinquency Act was approved June 16, 1938. This Act provided that juveniles could be paroled by the Board of Parole at any time after commitment (i.e., that there was no minimum term of imprisonment required before the juvenile was eligible for parole consideration). [HUSBP]

The Board appointed its first hearing examiner on May 21, 1939. Three were eventually appointed. Initially, they held hearings in cases of prisoners serving terms of one year and one day. [HUSBP]

Attorney General Murphy called a National Parole Conference, which was held in Washington, D.C. The conference followed a long term fact-finding project financed largely by Works Project Administration (WPA) funds. The project was directed by Wayne L. Morse, who later became a Senator of the United States, and resulted in the five-volume *Attorney General's Survey of Release Procedures*. As a result of this conference, "A Declaration of the Principles of Parole" was adopted. The conference proceedings were published as *Proceedings - National Parole Conference, Washington, D.C., April 17-18, 1939*. [HUSBP]

In contrast to the liberal trend of granting reparole, which was extended by the Board five or six years before, the Board in 1939 granted no reparoles at all and rereleased only five conditional releasees. [HUSBP]

The following were the basic parole board procedures (circa 1939):
Application for Parole. A short while before a federal prisoner became eligible for parole, he is furnished with an application form. This is a very brief form on which the applicant was to enter certain information about himself, his plans, the nature of his crime, his prospective employer, and the person he desires as his parole advisor. If a prisoner does not desire to apply for parole, he is directed to sign a waiver of his right to apply for parole on a form that will be furnished to him.

Information About the Prisoner. When a federal offender is committed to a penitentiary or other institution, the judge and district attorney of the committing court file reports and recommendations concerning him. In some instances, a presentence report is made by a probation officer, and in such cases the probation officer's report is also forwarded to the institution to which the offender is committed. Each prisoner is studied closely in connection with the institutional classification procedure. Reports will be filed concerning his progress by the various institutional officers from time to time. Immediately after his admission to the institution, the parole officers begin to study the family, and the social and economic conditions with which he will be faced when he is released on parole. An attempt is made to effect desirable community and home adjustments, and to prepare the community to which the offender will go for his reception.

Hearings. Parole hearings are held at each of the federal penal and reformatory institutions four times each year, or once every three months. The hearings are usually conducted by one member of the board. They are ordinarily attended only by the member, the institutional parole officer, the applicant, and a stenographic assistant. The warden and other institutional officers ordinarily do not attend the hearings. No attorney, relative or other person may appear for or against the applicant. However, such persons may write to or interview members of the Board.

Disposition. After the return to Washington of the board member who held the hearing, a final determination is made by the whole Board.

Conditions of Parole. Before an offender is released on parole, he must agree to the conditions of his parole and an adviser is secured for him. An effort is made to arrange suitable employment for him. Also upon release he is given the usual gratuities which are allowed to federal offenders upon their discharge from an institution.

Supervision. Each person released on parole is required to file with the parole executive an arrival report and subsequent written reports at intervals of not more than one month. In some cases the parolee is required to report every few days while in other cases he is required to report monthly. Each
Each parolee has an adviser. In many cases, the person chosen is the person suggested by the parolee himself. In other cases, the parole executive finds it necessary to select some other person. In every case, an attempt is made to secure as adviser the person in the community in which the parolee will live who will be most able to direct him toward rehabilitation through the normal community agencies of social control.

Violations of Parole. Sole authority to issue a warrant for the arrest of a parole violator rests with the Board of Parole or any member thereof. Such a warrant may be issued at any time prior to the expiration of the sentence if the Board or any member thereof has reliable information that the offender has violated his parole. The violation of parole interrupts the running of the sentence in the manner of an escape. The warrant may be executed by any officer of the prison from which the parolee was released or by any federal officer authorized to serve criminal process within the United States. Upon return to a federal institution, the violator is given an opportunity to appear before the Board at its next meeting. The Board may then or at any time in its discretion revoke the order and terminate such parole or modify the terms and conditions thereof. When parole is revoked, the parolee shall serve the remainder of the sentence originally imposed; and the time that the prisoner was out on parole shall not be taken into account to diminish the time for which he was sentenced.

A federal parole violator may be reissued at any time by the Board of Parole.

Final Discharge. Upon the expiration of the parolee's sentence, the parole executive sends him a letter stating that he has apparently completed his parole period satisfactorily. No formal certificate of discharge is issued to him. [AGSRP]

On July 1, 1940, the Federal Probation Service was transferred from the Bureau of Prisons to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Responsibilities of probation officers with respect to parolees continued as before. [HUSBP]

During the ten years the Probation System was under the supervision of the Bureau of Prisons, it expanded from one with eight officers in eight judicial districts to a nationwide program employing 238 officers in eighty-three United States District Courts. [FPJ: 4/2, statement by James V. Bennett, Director, U.S. Bureau of Prisons]
1941  In *The Pardoning Power of the President*, W.H. Humbert reported "parole authorities have handled a considerable number of federal offenders since 1910. Though release on parole does not banish prospects for a pardon, the conclusion is inescapable that such release tends to keep down the number of requests."

1942  World War II radically changed the character of the federal prison population. Substantial numbers of selective service violators and conscientious objectors were incarcerated. In 1942, the President issued Executive Order 8641 making it possible for the Attorney General to grant special paroles to prisoners who might be useful in the war effort. Extensive use was made of this authority with the parole board playing an unofficial role for the Attorney General. [HUSBP]

1943  Congress conducted hearings relative to legislation providing for a broader form of federal indeterminate sentence. The proposed legislation, entitled the "Federal Corrections Act" would have established a ten-member parole board with an adult division, a youth division, and a policy division. No legislation was enacted. [HUSBP]

1945  On August 28, 1945, the Attorney General ordered the parole board to report directly to him for administrative purposes. Staff formerly employed by the Bureau of Prisons and assigned to the Board were transferred officially to the Board on February 15, 1946. [HUSBP]

During the year, the character of the federal prison population changed in that the number of persons who had been court-martialed by military authorities and transferred to federal prisons increased. These offenders generally had longer sentences than those imposed by civilian courts. [HUSBP]

1946  With the end of gas rationing, there was a dramatic use of automobiles over the nation. Military prisoners decreased and the number of violators of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act rose sharply. [HUSBP]

1948  The Board of Parole was increased from three to five members by legislation enacted June 25, 1948. This increase was needed primarily because of an increase in prison population. Prior to the increase in the size of the Board, the two examiners on staff conducted approximately one third of the hearings. [HUSBP]

1950  On September 30, 1950, the *Youth Corrections Act* was passed by Congress. Under this legislation, federal offenders less than 22 years of age at the time of conviction could be sentenced to indeterminate sentences with no minimum period of parole ineligibility. The maximum period of imprisonment was fixed by statute at six years, but longer maximum terms were permitted in the case of very serious offenses. This Act contained three other significant features. First, all youth offenders must be initially released on supervision at least two years prior to the expiration of the
maximum sentence. Thus, each offender would be initially released with a period of supervision of at least two years. Second, it authorized a court to commit an offender for a period of observation and study prior to sentencing. Third, it provided that the parole board could grant an early discharge from parole supervision, an action that "set the conviction aside" and granted relief from various legal disabilities imposed by the conviction. The *Youth Corrections Act* was to become effective only upon the certification of the Attorney General that facilities to house such offenders were available. [HUSBP]

The *Youth Corrections Act* also changed the structure of the parole board. First, it created a three-member Youth Division within the parole board. Second, it increased the number of parole board members from five to eight. Third, it provided that all parole board members would be appointed by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, for six-year, staggered terms. [HUSBP]

The *Youth Corrections Act* also provided for an Advisory Corrections Council to be composed of federal judges and federal correctional officials to study and advise on correctional practices. [HUSBP]

1950

Until this year, secretaries traveled with the Board members to report institutional hearings. After six months of experimentation with recording devices, the Board adopted a system of hiring local shorthand reporters on a contract basis. [HUSBP]

1951

Until 1951, prisoners released by expiration of sentence less good time were under supervision until the expiration of their maximum sentence. Legislation approved June 29, 1951, provided that such prisoners were to be released from supervision 180 days prior to the expiration of the maximum sentence. With the implementation of this Act, the number of mandatory releasees under supervision dropped sharply. In general, prisoners with sentences of 18 months or less who were released by expiration of sentence less good time would no longer be released to supervision. [HUSBP]

Legislation approved July 31, 1951, made two changes in parole eligibility. Up to this time, adult prisoners serving sentences of more than one year were eligible for parole after service of one-third of their sentences, except for prisoners serving life sentences who were eligible after the service of 15 years. Under the revised legislation, adult prisoners serving sentences of 180 days to one year were also eligible for parole after service of one-third of their sentences. In addition, prisoners serving terms of more than forty-five years were eligible for parole after fifteen years in the same manner as prisoners serving life sentences. [HUSBP]

1953

The first presidential appointments were made to the parole board in 1953. [HUSBP]

Mr. Scovel Richardson became the first African American appointed to the parole
By order of the Attorney General dated October 15, 1953, juveniles committed by the District of Columbia Juvenile Court to the National Training School for Boys came under the parole jurisdiction of the federal parole board. Prior to this time, the District of Columbia Visiting Committee had acted as the paroling authority for such juveniles. [HUSBP]

The Board hired its first staff director (Dr. Conway Esselstyn). [HUSBP]

1954 On January 15, 1954, the Youth Corrections Act was made available to the federal courts east of the Mississippi River. [HUSBP]

1955 During 1955, the parole board began paroling prisoners to outstanding local detainers if they were otherwise considered to be suitable for parole. Previously, an outstanding detainer had acted as a bar to parole. [HUSBP]

Dr. Conway Esselstyn, the Board's first staff director, resigned and was replaced by James Neagles, who served as staff director until 1976. [HUSBP]

1956 The Attorney General called the second National Conference on Parole, which was held in Washington, D.C., on April 9-11, 1956. The Conference was sponsored by the federal parole board and the National Probation and Parole Association. Approximately 500 delegates attended. Out of this conference came Parole in Principle and Practice: A Manual and Report. One of the recommendations of this conference was that release from prison by expiration of sentence less good time be termed "mandatory release" rather than "conditional release." The U.S. Board of Parole implemented this recommendation. [HUSBP]

Congress enacted the Uniform Narcotic Control Act. This Act provided for mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment for certain drug offenders. In addition, such offenders were made ineligible for parole consideration. [HUSBP]
On October 4, 1956, the Youth Corrections Act was made available to the federal courts west of the Mississippi River. [HUSBP]

1958 On August 25, 1958, Congress approved legislation that allowed courts to impose an adult sentence on which the prisoner would be eligible for parole consideration after serving less than one-third of the maximum sentence. That is, in addition to the traditional sentencing procedure under which the prisoner had to serve one-third of the maximum sentence before being eligible for parole, the court could now impose (1) a sentence with a period of parole ineligibility that was less than one-third of the maximum sentence, or (2) a sentence with no period of parole ineligibility. In addition, this legislation authorized a court to commit an adult offender for a period of observation and study prior to sentencing, a provision that earlier had been
available only for youthful offenders. Furthermore, this legislation provided for the judicial sentencing institutes for federal judges. Finally, this legislation authorized the parole board to terminate releasees from active supervision prior to the expiration of their maximum sentences. [HUSBP]

In addition, legislation passed in 1958 authorized the courts to use the provisions of the Youth Corrections Act in certain cases for persons who were less than 26 years of age at the time of conviction. [HUSBP]

1959

This first federal judicial sentencing institute was held at Boulder, Colorado. A primary topic was the issue of unwarranted sentencing disparity. [HUSBP]

Congress passed the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act. This legislation barred certain individuals with criminal records from serving in certain labor or labor-management positions. The federal parole board was given the authority to conduct a hearing for any person who applied for relief from the disabilities imposed by this legislation, and to grant exemptions from these disabilities in deserving cases. [HUSBP]

The Annual Report of the U.S. Board of Parole describes the second phase of a research study on offenders sentenced under the Youth Corrections Act (pertaining to prison programming). [ARUSBP (1959)]

The Annual Report of the U.S. Board of Parole also notes the parole board's evaluation of recidivism statistics indicates that (1) maturation appears to be a significant factor in rehabilitation in that adult offenders have lower recidivism rates than youth offenders, and (2) most parole violations occur within the first or second year after parole and the number of warrants issued in the fifth year after parole is "practically non-existent." [ARUSBP (1959)]

1961

In accordance with an opinion handed down by the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, the parole board adopted procedures allowing alleged parole/mandatory release violators to have an attorney and/or voluntary witnesses present at a revocation hearing conducted upon return to a federal institution. [HUSBP]

1962

The parole board began making use of a new program initiated by the Bureau of Prisons, involving the establishment of pre-release guidance centers in the community to which the prisoner was to be released. Centers were first opened in New York City, Chicago, and Los Angeles. The parole board could parole an individual with the understanding that the individual would reside in a pre-release center from two to four months prior to parole. Subsequently, additional pre-release centers were opened in other cities. Eventually, state and privately-operated centers were used on a contract basis. [HUSBP]
1963  In accordance with an opinion handed down by the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, the parole board adopted procedures providing for preliminary interviews for alleged parole/mandatory violators in the community in which the alleged violation occurred. In addition, "local" revocation hearings, revocation hearings in the community in which the alleged violation occurred, were authorized to facilitate the appearance of voluntary witnesses. [HUSBP]

1966  The Board cooperated with the Bureau of Prisons in the Bureau's development of work-release programs. Selected prisoners were permitted to leave the institution or a pre-release center to work in private industry or, in some cases, to attend a trade school or college. Such placements generally were made within six months of a projected release date. [HUSBP]

1967  Congress passed the *Narcotic Addict Rehabilitation Act*, which had provisions for civil commitment of narcotic addicts as well as special provisions for those convicted of criminal offenses. Under this Act, the maximum period of imprisonment on a criminal commitment was fixed by the court with parole eligibility after six months in treatment. A certificate of release readiness from the Surgeon General was a prerequisite for parole. [HUSBP]

Congress also passed legislation transferring responsibility for D.C. youth offenders confined in the D.C. Youth Center from the federal parole board to the District of Columbia government. Supervision of such cases also was transferred from U.S. Probation Officers to the District of Columbia government. [HUSBP]

1968  The parole board adopted a procedure for a "dispositional review" where a parolee or mandatory releasee was serving a subsequent sentence and a violator warrant was lodged as a detainer. Such a review could include a hearing at the place of confinement if the parole board determined such a hearing was indicated. [HUSBP]

The National Training School for Boys was closed, and juveniles committed by the District of Columbia Juvenile Court were placed in D.C. institutions. Accordingly, the federal parole board had no further jurisdiction over D.C. juvenile offenders. [HUSBP]

1969  The parole board requested and received a grant from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration for a large scale, three-year study of parole decision-making. This study, under the co-directorship of Don M. Gottfredson, Director of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency Research Center, and Leslie T. Wilkins, a professor at the School of Criminal Justice, State University of New York at Albany, led to a major revision in parole board practice. [HUSBP]

1970  The parole board hired its first legal counsel (Joseph Barry). [HUSBP]
1971  The parole board increased its complement of hearing examiners to eight. A schedule was adopted under which parole board members conducted about one-third of the hearings and hearing examiners conducted about two-thirds of the hearings. This allowed parole board members more time for voting on cases. In general, decisions were made by a concurrence of two parole board members. If the hearing was conducted by a parole board member, the parole board member hearing the case cast the first vote. The case file was then circulated among other parole board members at the parole board's office in Washington, D.C., until a concurrence of two votes was obtained. If the hearing was conducted by a hearing examiner, the examiner made a recommendation but did not vote. The case file was then circulated among the parole board members at the parole board's office in Washington, D.C., until a concurrence of two votes was obtained. [HUSBP]

Congress passed legislation authorizing the parole board to impose a special condition that a parolee or mandatory releasee reside in and/or participate in a program of a community treatment center (formerly called a pre-release guidance center) as a special condition of parole. This special condition could be used, in some cases, as an alternative to parole revocation. [HUSBP]

Congress amended the *Criminal Justice Act* to provide for court-appointed counsel for alleged parole and mandatory release violators who could not afford to hire their own attorney. [HUSBP]

Congress also passed legislation authorizing hearing examiners to conduct initial and revocation hearings for youth offenders. [HUSBP]

1972  The parole board began a pilot project that included the following goals: (1) the development of explicit paroling policy guidelines to provide greater consistency and equity in parole decision-making; (2) the provision of well-reasoned, written decisions; (3) more timely decisions; (4) the development of procedures to provide the opportunity for representatives to appear at parole hearings; (5) the development of a two-level appellate process to provide greater due process; and (6) increased liaison between the Board and related agencies. Key features of this project were the decentralization of the parole board into five regions (each headed by a board member) with the Chairman and two other members forming a National Appeals Board in Washington, D.C.; the use of explicit guidelines for parole decision-making; hearings conducted by panels of two hearing examiners with review by the regional parole board member on the record; and the provision of written reasons for parole decisions. [EUSBPR]

The first hearings under this reorganization project were conducted at the Kennedy Youth Center in Morgantown, West Virginia in October 1972. [EUSBPR]

The pilot project comprised five Federal institutions in the northeast region of the
country. They were the Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania; the Kennedy Youth Center, Morgantown, West Virginia; the Reformatory for Women, Alderson, West Virginia; the Reformatory, Petersburg, Virginia, and the Correctional Institution, Danbury, Connecticut. [ARUSBP (1972-73)].

The parole board established a Research Unit and hired its first Research Director (Peter Hoffman). [ARUSBP (1970-72)]

The explicit paroling policy guidelines adopted by the parole board were developed in cooperation with a project funded by the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration and conducted by the National Council on Crime and Delinquency. The guidelines were in the form of a two-dimensional grid. The seriousness of the prisoner's current offense (offense severity) was considered on the vertical axis with six categories (later increased to seven and then eight categories). The prisoner's likelihood of recidivism (parole prognosis) was considered on the horizontal axis with four categories. The dimension of parole prognosis was determined by use of a "salient factor score," an empirically derived parole prediction instrument. The intersections of the vertical and horizontal axes formed a grid containing time ranges (such as 12-18 months). The time range set forth the parole board's policy on the customary time to be served before release for a prisoner having that offense seriousness and parole prognosis, assuming good institutional conduct. Decisions outside the guidelines may be made for good cause and upon the provision of case-specific written reasons. For example, misconduct in the institution might warrant a decision above the applicable guideline range, and exceptionally good participation in institutional programs might warrant a decision below the applicable guideline range. [PDMR]

The parole board implemented the procedures for due process in the revocation of parole set forth in *Morrissey vs. Brewer*, 408 U.S. 471, 92 S. Ct. 2593. [ARUSBP (1972-73)]

1973

In May 1973, Maurice Sigler, Chairman of the U.S. Board of Parole, submitted the Board's reorganization proposal to the Department of Justice. In July 1973, this proposal was approved by Attorney General Elliot Richardson. [EUSBPR]

The Research Center of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency published a fourteen-volume set of reports on the Federal Parole Decision-Making Project. [PDMR]

1974

Regional offices were established in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Atlanta Georgia, Dallas, Texas, Kansas City, Missouri, and Burlingame, California. Each regional office included a parole board member, five hearing examiners, two case analysts, and clerical staff. [EUSBPR]
The parole board's budget for Fiscal Year 74 was $2,025,000, up from 1,391,000 in Fiscal Year 73 and from approximately $500,000 in 1965. The increase from Fiscal Year 73 to Fiscal Year 74 included the cost of implementing the reorganization. Personnel increased from 48 positions in Fiscal Year 65 to 125 positions in Fiscal Year 74. [EUSBPR]

Each regional office has approximately 20 employees. A typical regional office is staffed with a Board member acting as the Regional Director, an administrative hearing examiner and four hearing examiners, a pre-release analyst, a post-release analyst, and administrative and clerical support personnel. [EUSBPR]

Hearing examiner panels, each consisting of two persons, conduct parole interviews at each institution within the region. At the conclusion of each interview, the examiners inform the prisoner of the recommended (tentative) parole decision. If the recommendations of the examiners differ, the prisoner is informed of both recommendations. All panel decisions are reviewed in the regional office by an administrative hearing examiner and the regional board member. It is the regional board member who makes the final decision, subject to certain limitations (if the regional board member wishes to alter a panel recommendation by more than six months, the case must be sent to the national board members for review). After a decision is made, a Notice of Action is mailed to the prisoner within 15 working days of the hearing. If the prisoner is not granted parole at that time, the reasons are given as part of the Notice of Action. If the prisoner is dissatisfied with the decision, he or she has available a two-step administrative appeal process. [EUSBPR]

According to a report of field visits by Department of Justice Management Programs and Budget staff --

- The average hearing lasted 30 minutes. Revocation hearings took anywhere from 45 to 90 minutes. The hearing began with a review of the inmate's file by one hearing examiner while the other examiner dictated the results of the last hearing. The review usually took 10 to 15 minutes. The offender's prior criminal history was closely examined during the file review. After the file was reviewed by one examiner, he provided a brief summary of the file to the other examiner, who had completed dictating the results of the previous hearing.

- Prior to the interview with the inmate, the hearing panel discussed the inmate's progress with the institutional case manager. At the beginning of the interview with the inmate, the hearing examiner carefully explained the Board's procedures to the inmate and his right to appeal the decision. The principal discussion points initiated by the hearing examiners were: the validation of the salient factor score, the inmate's offense and the surrounding circumstances of the crime, and his institutional behavior and program participation.
The inmate's remarks usually began with a description of the mitigating circumstances of his offense and past criminal behavior. This was most often followed by the inmate's statements regarding his participation in institutional programs and his motivation to become a better citizen. The inmate usually made some reference to his parole release plan. The period of time for the discussion with the inmate ranged from five to 15 minutes. When an inmate's representative was present, the discussion period required as much as one-half hour.

Following the inmate's discussion, he was asked if he had any questions he would like to ask the panel. If not, he left the room and the hearing examiners discussed the case. In most instances, the decision-making process, which takes from two to five minutes, was a straightforward application of the guidelines and salient factors to the individual case.

The inmate returned to the hearing room and was advised of the panel's tentative decision. When parole was approved, the discussion continued on the completion and validation of the release plan. When parole was denied, the examiners advised the inmate of the reasons and the right to appeal the decision. The process of advising the inmate of the decision required approximately five minutes.

Most representatives who were observed by the evaluation teams were institutional staff; however, relatives, prospective employers, and educators have appeared at a number of hearings. Generally, hearing examiners and Bureau of Prisons institutional staff agree that the inmate representative does not have a major effect on parole decisions; however, the representatives can have a positive effect on the inmate's attitude. Cases have occurred where Bureau of Prisons institutional staff members serving as inmates' representatives have directly contradicted the observations and recommendations of the inmate's caseworker. In these instances, the examiner stated that the representative can have a major impact on their decision. [EUSBPR]

The Parole Commission and Reorganization Act (Public Law 94-233) became effective on May 14, 1976. A major revision of the statutes pertaining to parole, this Act retitled the agency as the United States Parole Commission. The primary provisions of this Act are listed below.

- The U.S. Parole Commission is created with a membership of nine Commissioners. The Youth Correction Division was eliminated and its duties absorbed within the new Commission.
No fewer than five regions are mandated; a Regional Commissioner is placed in charge of each. Three Commissioners are assigned to a National Appeals Board. Authority and responsibilities of the Commission, the Chairman, and the Regional Commissioners are set forth.

Eligibility for parole for prisoners with long sentences, including life terms, is reduced to ten years, from the previous fifteen years.

Explicit Guidelines for Decision-Making are mandated.

Reasons for denial of parole must be provided to the prisoner in writing. Decisions outside the guidelines must be for "good cause" and must contain specific written reasons for such departure.

Parole applicants have a right to examine their own case file (with limited exceptions) prior to the hearing.

Parole applicants may be accompanied at their hearings by a representative of their choice, who may make a statement on the applicant's behalf.

If a prisoner's sentence is less than seven years, he must be reviewed no later than at 18 month intervals after the initial hearing. If this sentence is seven years or more, he must be reviewed no later than at 24 month intervals following the initial hearing.

Prisoners with terms of five years or more and satisfactory institutional conduct must be paroled after service of two-thirds of the term, unless the Commission finds that there is a "reasonable probability" of further crime.

A two-level appeal system is mandated.

Regular and special conditions of release set by the Commission may be modified only after an opportunity has been offered to the releasee to comment on the proposed modifications. Such modifications are also appealable.

The Commission must review a parolee's progress under supervision after two years and at least annually thereafter, and may terminate supervision prior to completion of the sentenced term. Termination of supervision ends the jurisdiction of the Commission over the releasee.

After five years of supervision in the community, the Commission must terminate jurisdiction unless it finds, after a hearing, that there is a likelihood of further crime. Such decision is appealable.
At the discretion of the Commission, alleged violators may be summoned to a hearing in lieu of being arrested on a warrant, and may be released under supervision pending a revocation hearing.

Reviews of parole violation warrants placed as a detainer, while a prisoner is serving a subsequent sentence, must be reviewed within 180 days and a decision made with regard to disposition of the warrant.

Alleged parole violators have the right to confront "adverse" witnesses at a preliminary interview and any revocation hearing held in the local community. At such interview or at any revocation hearing, the prisoner may be represented by an attorney (either retained or appointed). Voluntary witnesses may also be present.

A preliminary interview is not necessary if the releasee has been convicted of a crime while under supervision.

The Commission may subpoena witnesses in revocation proceedings.

Following revocation, the parolee receives credit for time under supervision in the community unless he has been convicted of a crime committed while under supervision. If he absconded from supervision, he is credited with the time from the date of release to supervision to the date of such absconding.

Attorney representation, privately retained or court appointed, is permitted in any revocation proceeding and at any termination hearing scheduled after five years on parole. [ARUSPC (1976-78)]

1977 The Parole Commission modified the permissible grounds for a prisoner's appeal to make them more specific. The modified grounds for appeal are:

- That the guidelines were incorrectly applied.
- That a decision outside the guidelines was not supported by the reasons of facts as stated.
- That especially mitigating circumstances justify a different decision.
- That a decision was based on erroneous information and the actual facts justify a different decision.
- That the Commission did not follow correct procedure in deciding the case,
and a different decision would have resulted if the error had not occurred.

- There was significant information in existence but not known at the time of the hearing.

- There are compelling reasons why a more lenient decision should be rendered on grounds of compassion. [ARUSPC (1976-78)]

Mexico and the United States signed a treaty for the mutual exchange of prisoners incarcerated for crimes while transient aliens within each nation's jurisdiction. The Commission's legal staff participated with the State Department and other units of the Department of Justice in the development of prisoner transfer treaties and implementing legislation. In December 1977, 154 U.S. citizens convicted of crimes in Mexico were transferred to the United States. A special docket was set up to provide prompt parole hearings to these cases. Shortly thereafter, Canada and Bolivia followed this precedent by establishing similar treaties with the United States. [ARUSPC (1976-78)]

After a pilot test of the concept in the Parole Commission's Western Region, the Commission implemented a new procedure that has come to be called "presumptive parole." The purpose of the presumptive parole procedure is to provide the prisoner at the beginning of his sentence a date on which it is presumed that release will take place, provided the prisoner maintains a good institutional adjustment and has developed adequate release plans. This procedure is designed to remove much of the dysfunctional uncertainty and anxiety surrounding the parole process, while retaining the flexibility to deal with substantial changes in circumstances. Presumptive parole procedures went into effect in September 1977. All prisoners with seven years or less (regardless of sentence procedure) and all prisoners with no minimum sentences are heard within 120 days of commitment or as soon thereafter as practicable. A presumptive release date may be set up to four years from the date of the initial hearing (previously, parole dates were set up to six months from the date of the hearing). If a presumptive release date is not set within four years from the date of the initial hearing, the prisoner will be continued to a reconsideration hearing four years from the date of the initial hearing (a "four-year reconsideration hearing"). In addition, interim hearings are conducted as required by statute to consider whether there are any substantial positive or negative changes in circumstances (e.g., outstanding institutional program achievement, disciplinary infractions) that may warrant modifying the presumptive release date originally set. In addition, a prerelease record review is conducted to ensure that the conditions of the presumptive release date (good institutional conduct and a suitable release plan) have been satisfied. Failure to satisfy these conditions may result in retardation of the release date or the scheduling of a rescission hearing. [ARUSPC (1976-78)]

The Parole Commission published *Federal Parole Decision Making: Selected*
In October 1978, the Commission began a periodic review of its paroling policy guidelines at 28 C.F.R. 2.20 and 2.21. In addition to its usual publishing and posting of the proposal, copies were sent to over 1,000 interested persons. Public hearings were held in Atlanta, Denver, and Washington, D.C., and at the Atlanta and Englewood facilities of the Bureau of Prisons. Testimony was received from 69 witnesses, generating over 3,000 pages of transcript. Those giving their views included representatives from the Judiciary, defense and prosecution attorneys, federal prisoners, enforcement agencies, the Bureau of Prisons, the Probation Service, state correctional systems, and scholars. As a result of this effort, certain listed offense behaviors were defined more specifically, certain previously unlisted offense behaviors were added to the guidelines, and certain offense behaviors were moved from one category to another or subdivided. The revised paroling policy guidelines became effective June 4, 1979. [ARUSPC (1978-80)]

1979

Decision guidelines were established for decisions to retard or rescind a parole on account of institutional misconduct. These guidelines are set forth at 28 C.F.R. 2.36. [ARUSPC (1978-80)]

Decision guidelines were established to reward sustained superior program achievement by a reduction from a previously established presumptive release date. The advancement for superior program achievement under these guidelines was deliberately kept modest. It is the intent of the Commission to encourage voluntary program participation, not superficial attendance in programs merely in an attempt to impress the parole decision-makers. These guidelines are set forth at 28 C.F.R. 2.60. [ARUSPC (1978-80)]

1980

The Parole Commission's presumptive release date procedures were expanded. Under the revised procedures, presumptive release dates are set up to ten years from the date of the initial hearing. A defendant who does not receive a presumptive release date will be scheduled for a ten-year reconsideration hearing. Procedures for interim hearings, as required by statute, to review the case for any significant changes in circumstances are unchanged. [ARUSPC (1978-80)]

From April 9-11, 1980, the Parole Commission, in joint sponsorship with the National Institute of Corrections, conducted the Third National Parole Symposium. The conference was held at the University of Maryland at College Park. United States District Judge Frank A. Kaufman, Governor Brendan T. Byrne of New Jersey, and Charles Silberman, author of Criminal Violence, Criminal Justice, were featured speakers. Approximately 250 persons attended. The proceedings of the conference were published as Parole in the 1980's: Proceedings of the National Parole Symposium. [ARUSPC (1978-80)]
The Parole Commission published *Federal Parole Decision Making: Selected Reprints, Volume II*. [PDMSR (2)]

1981


Effective August 31, 1981, the Parole Commission, as a result of a research study, revised its Salient factor Score, an actuarial device used in determining risk of recidivism. The new Salient Factor Score (SFS 81) includes six items, which, when added together, produce a score with a range from zero to ten points. The higher the score, the higher is the likelihood of favorable outcome. SFS 81 demonstrates predictive validity and stability equivalent to that of the seven-item predictive device previously used by the Commission. Of prime importance, the revised device holds promise for greater scoring reliability and ease of scoring. [ARUSPC (1980-83)]

1982

The Parole Commission published the first *Rules and Procedures Manual*, which consolidated the Parole Commission's rules (28 C.F.R. 2.1 et seq.) with the accompanying procedures. Previously, these had been published separately.


1983

Effective January 31, 1983, the Parole Commission revised its offense severity scale. The revision, which used the format of the proposed revision of the federal criminal code, was designed to make the severity scale more comprehensive, to improve its clarity and organization, and to reflect changes in Commission policy for particular offenses. [ARUSPC (1980-83)]

1984

The *Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984* (Public Law 98-473, October 12, 1984) was passed. This legislation provided for the creation of a United States Sentencing Commission to promulgate explicit decision guidelines (by May 1, 1986) to be used by Federal judges in making sentencing decisions. The Chairman of the Parole Commission serves as an *ex officio*, non voting member of the Sentencing Commission. The Parole Commission was to be abolished five years from the date the sentencing guidelines took effect. During the five-year transition period, the Parole Commission was to continue in existence to handle cases of parole eligible defendants convicted of offenses committed before November 1, 1987. Cases sentenced under the new law would serve determinate sentences with limited reduction for good time (about 15%). For such cases, post-release supervision would be called supervised release rather than parole, and decisions regarding the conditions of supervised release and revocation would be made by the courts rather than by the Parole Commission. This legislation also repealed *Youth Corrections Act*. The legislation did not, however, affect parole eligibility for military code or D.C. Code offenders or the Parole Commission's responsibility for making parole release decisions for military code and D.C. Code offenders confined in Bureau of Prisons.
institutions.

The *Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984* also eliminated the Parole Commission's intermediate administrative appeal (regional appeal), providing a one-step rather than a two-step administrative appeal. [ARUSPC (1986-87)]


1985  
Due to a delay in the appointment of the first members of the Sentencing Commission, legislation was enacted that extended the date for the first sentencing guidelines by one year (until May 1, 1987).

1986  
The Parole Commission sought various legislative initiatives to facilitate the transition between the current and new systems. Legislation was enacted (Public Law 99-646, November 10, 1986) containing two provisions that afforded the Parole Commission flexibility to facilitate its phase out. First, the legislation eliminated the requirement of "no less than five regions." Second, it authorized hearings conducted by one examiner (with the requirement of a panel of two hearing examiners met by a review on the record by the second examiner). [ARUSPC (1985-86)]

The Parole Commission also provided assistance to the newly created Sentencing Commission. As the move toward the establishment of federal sentencing guidelines was based, in large part, on the successful development and use of federal parole guidelines, much of the research conducted and experience gained in the parole context was directly relevant to the sentencing guidelines' effort. The Parole Commission provided a number of data bases for the Sentencing Commission's use, and staffs of both agencies met regularly to examine the data, review the documentation, and discuss the empirical findings. [ARUSPC (1985-86)]


In March 1986, the Parole Commission implemented an experimental program, called Special Curfew Parole, to provide a substitute for Community Treatment Center residence for the 60-day period preceding the otherwise scheduled parole release date. This program, a joint effort of the Parole Commission, the U.S. Bureau of Prisons, and the U.S. Probation System, was designed for prisoners who were transferred to Community Treatment Centers for a 30-120 day period prior to parole, but who no longer required the support services provided there. Under this program, a qualified prisoner could have his release date advanced by up to 60 days on the condition that he remain at his place of residence between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. each night unless given permission in advance by his probation officer. The Probation Service provided high-activity supervision of the parolee during this period (at least weekly in person contact as well as monitoring compliance with the
curfew by random telephone calls). Failure to comply with this special condition could result in imposition of Community Treatment Center residence as a condition of parole or revocation of parole and return to prison. Implemented as a cost-reduction procedure through which the Bureau of Prisons could reduce the number and expense of inmates confined in Community Treatment Centers, this project saved over one million dollars in its first eighteen months of operation. [ARUSPC (1985-86)]

In collaboration with the Bureau of Prisons and the National Institute of Justice, the Parole Commission initiated an experimental program in which selected prisoners would have their parole dates advanced if they volunteered to complete 400 hours of "reparative work." Reparative work is defined as unpaid volunteer work for public or nonprofit private agencies (such as the Volunteers of America, the Salvation Army, or Goodwill Industries). The purpose of the project was to develop an alternative form of punishment that returned something of value to the community and, at the same time, saved prison bed space. During the first phase of the project, 100 prisoners in selected cities each completed the 400 hours of reparative work while residing in halfway houses. These prisoners logged 38,481 hours of unpaid service, work which would have cost the participating agencies over $168,000 for paid employees to perform. In return, release dates were advanced by 5,538 days, providing a substantial savings in prison bed space. Upon release, some parolees were offered full-time paid positions with the agencies they had worked for in the program. A second phase of the program was begun at the Federal Correctional Institution at Forth Worth. In this phase, a limited number of prisoners performed reparative work in the community while still residing at the institution. [ARUSPC (1985-86)]

1987 On April 14, 1987, the U.S. Sentencing Commission transmitted its initial sentencing guidelines to Congress. These guidelines took effect, as scheduled, on November 1, 1987, and applied to all defendants whose offenses were committed on or after that date.

The Bureau of Prisons reported that the cumulative savings from the Special Curfew Parole Project exceeded two million dollars and requested that the program be extended indefinitely. [ARUSPC (1986-87)]

The Parole Commission was accredited by the American Correctional Association's Commission on Accreditation.

The Parole Commission initiated a "Community Control Project," a joint effort with the Bureau of Prisons and U.S. Probation System, using electronic monitoring to ensure compliance with a curfew. Because of population pressures, the Bureau of Prisons was placing offenders in halfway houses up to six months prior to release even if there was no treatment need for such placement. Under this experimental
program, selected low-treatment-need offenders were released to the community up to 180 days prior to their normally scheduled parole date with a curfew, electronic monitoring, and intensive supervision substituted for Community Treatment Center placement. Two districts (Southern District of Florida and Central District of California) were selected for this project. [ARUSPC (1986-87)]

The Reparative Work Project was terminated. During the two phases, 132 offenders each performed 400 hours of reparative work and had their parole dates advanced by up to 60 days. A total of 51,281 hours of unpaid community service work was completed and participants had their parole dates advanced by a total of 7,458 days. The value of the work done was estimated to be over $225,000 (for paid employees to have done the same work) and the project was well received by the non-profit agencies involved. Despite these positive findings, the project was terminated because the Bureau of Prisons did not believe that the staff time needed to monitor the project could be spared given the current level of overcrowding. [ARUSPC (1986-87)]

1988

The Special Curfew Parole Project continued. The cumulative number of offenders participating reached 3,000. Very few problems were reported and the revocation rate for violations occurring while on curfew parole was less than three percent. [ARUSPC (1987-88)]

The Community Control Project continued. To date, 120 offenders have participated in this project. During the year, the project was expanded to four additional districts. [ARUSPC (1987-88)]

The Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 gave the Parole Commission jurisdiction over new-law transfer treaty cases (transfer treaty cases in which the offense was committed on or after November 1, 1987). In such cases, the Parole Commission is to determine the release date by applying the sentencing guidelines promulgated by the U.S. Sentencing Commission. [ARUSPC (1987-88)]

The Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 also gave the Parole Commission continuing responsibility over all state defendants who are accepted into the U.S. Marshals Service Witness Protection Program. Once a state defendant is accepted into this program, the Parole Commission assumes jurisdiction over the case.

Fifty percent of the initial hearings conducted in Fiscal Year 1988 involved offenders with drug-related convictions, 26% involved property crimes, and another 11% involved crimes of violence (murder, kidnapping, arson, robbery, and assault). [ARUSPC (1987-88)]

The Commission's had 179 authorized positions (Commissioners and staff) and a budget of $11,665,000.
The Parole Commission began an Intensive Supervision Project with the U.S. Probation Office for the District of Maryland for high risk cases. [ARUSPC (1988-89)]

The number of hearings conducted by the Parole Commission began to decline as the sentencing guidelines took effect for defendants who committed offenses on or after November 1, 1987. In Fiscal Years 1987 and 1988, the Commission conducted 19,796 and 20,465 hearings, respectively. In Fiscal Year 1989, the number of hearings declined to 16,619. [ARUSPC (1988-89)]

The Judicial Improvements Act of 1990 extended the life of the Parole Commission by an additional five years until November 1, 1997, because the Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984 had failed to make adequate provision for the handling of old-law cases. Retrospective abolition of parole release consideration (for defendants who had already committed their offenses) would raise a serious constitutional issue under the ex post facto clause. [ARUSPC (1989-90)]

The Parole Commission has jurisdiction over the following cases: (1) “Old Law” Cases (persons sentenced to prison terms of more than one year for offenses committed prior to November 1, 1987, unless sentenced under a statute expressly prohibiting parole eligibility); (2) Transfer Treaty Cases (persons transferred to the United States from foreign countries to complete service of a foreign sentence, regardless of the date of the offense); (3) State Witness Protection Cases (probationers and parolees serving state sentences who are transferred to federal jurisdiction because of participation in the Federal Witness Protection Program, regardless of the date of the offense); (4) D.C. Code Offenders in Federal Institutions (persons sentenced under the District of Columbia Code who are confined in correctional facilities of the U.S. Bureau of Prisons, regardless of the date of the offense); and (5) Military Offenders in Federal Institutions (persons convicted of military offenses who are confined in correctional facilities of the U.S. Bureau of Prisons, regardless of the date of the offense).

The number of Parole Commission hearings continued to decline as the sentencing guidelines were applied to new-law cases by the courts. There were 13,568 hearings conducted in Fiscal Year 1990. This included 903 hearings for D.C. Code offenders housed in federal institutions. [ARUSPC (1989-90)]

The Parole Commission was re-accredited by the American Correctional Association's Commission on Accreditation.

The Parole Commission's workload continued to decline. In Fiscal Year 1991, 10,720 hearings were conducted. [ARUSPC (1990-91)]
In August 1991, as part of its phase down effort, the Parole Commission closed its Philadelphia and Atlanta Regional Offices and consolidated these operations in a new Eastern Regional Office, co-housed with the Headquarters Office in Chevy Chase, Maryland. [ARUSPC (1990-91)]

The Special Curfew Parole Project, which had started in 1986, reached a cumulative total of 3,500 cases. As electronic monitoring (started under the Community Control Project) became available in each judicial district, it replaced the curfew parole project. [ARUSPC (1990-91)]

Due to the Parole Commission's phase down, its research unit was eliminated. [ARUSPC (1990-91)]

1992

The Parole Commission, in cooperation with the U.S. Probation Service, developed an experimental project to place technical parole violators in “sanction centers,” rather than return them to prison. In 1992, two sanction centers were opened, one in the Baltimore, Maryland, area and one in the Washington, D.C. area. [ARUSPC (1991-92)]

The Parole Commission's Intensive Supervision Project in Hyattsville and Baltimore, Maryland, which had started in 1988, was terminated due to the downsizing of the Commission. An evaluation of the Hyattsville project, prepared by the National Center on Institutions and Alternatives, concluded that the early intervention and increased surveillance of the project provided a tool for preventing escalating criminal behavior. [ARUSPC (1991-92)]

1993

The number of hearing conducted in Fiscal Year 1993 was 6,769, down from 9,307 hearings in Fiscal Year 1992, and slightly less than one half of the 13,568 hearings conducted in Fiscal Year 1990. [ARUSPC (1992-93)]

1994

As part of its phase-down effort, the Commission closed its Dallas Regional Offices and consolidated that operation in its Eastern Regional Office co-housed with the Headquarters Office in Chevy Chase, Maryland. This closing resulted in a savings of more than one million dollars in operating funds and reduced the number of Commission personnel by 22 positions. The Commission also eliminated a number of mid-management positions. [ARUSPC (1993-94)]

Given the requirement for the downsizing of the Commission, the Commission began using single hearing examiners to conduct parole hearings. From 1974 to 1994, hearings had been conducted by two-person panels of hearing examiners. Under the revised procedure, a second examiner would review the case record and hearing summary at the Commission's office. [ARUSPC (1993-94)]

The Parole Commission was re-accredited by the American Correctional

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1995

The Parole Commission revised the Salient Factor Score by adding an additional item for older offenders. The revised Salient Factor Score was designated as SFS 95.

The Parole Commission published a *Desk Book on Training and Reference Materials* as part of a program of staff training.

1996

The Parole Commission closed its Kansas City Regional Office and consolidated that operation in its Eastern Regional Office co-housed with the Headquarters Office in Chevy Chase, Maryland. As with the closing of the Dallas Regional Office in 1993, this closing resulted in a savings of more than one million dollars in operating funds and reduced the number of Commission personnel by 22 positions. With the closing of this office, all Commission functions are conducted from its Chevy Chase, Maryland, office.

Congress passed the *Parole Commission Phaseout Act of 1996*. This Act extended the life of the Parole Commission by an additional five years (until November 1, 2002). In addition, it reinstated the twelve-year limitation on total service as a Parole Commissioner, and provided for the reduction in the number of Parole Commissioners to two Commissioners on December 31, 1999, and to one Commissioner on December 31, 2001. Furthermore, it required the Attorney General to report to the Congress annually, beginning in May 1998, as to whether it is more cost effective for the Parole Commission to remain a separate agency or whether its functions should be transferred elsewhere. If the Attorney General recommends incorporating the Commission's functions in another component of the Department of Justice, the Attorney General's plan shall take effect in November of the year in which it is submitted unless Congress, by law, provides otherwise. If the Commission's functions are transferred to another component within the Department of Justice, all laws pertaining to these functions remain in effect notwithstanding the November 1, 2002, termination date for the Commission set forth elsewhere in the legislation.

The Parole Commission, with the assistance of a grant from the Office For Victims of Crime, established two Victim/Witness Coordinator positions, and developed a program to enhance the Commission's responsiveness to victims and witnesses at revocation hearings.

Due to the phasing down of the Parole Commission, the Commission had 48 positions (Commissioners and staff) at the end of 1996, a substantial reduction from 145 positions in 1992. At the beginning of 1996, there were six Parole Commissioners. By the end of 1996, this number was reduced to three due to resignations and the provisions of the *Parole Commission Phaseout Act of 1996*. The Commission's budget was $5,446,000.
The Parole Commission began an experimental project in which parole hearings are conducted using video-conferencing equipment. In February 1997, the first hearings in this project were conducted for prisoners at the Federal Correctional Institution in Oakdale, Louisiana.

*The National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997* gave the Parole Commission several additional responsibilities. First, it provided for the abolition of the District of Columbia Board of Parole by August 5, 2000 and the transfer of its responsibilities to the U.S. Parole Commission. The Act required the Parole Commission to assume jurisdiction by August 5, 1998 over all parole release decisions for felony prisoners confined under D.C. Code felony sentences, and to assume jurisdiction by August 5, 2000 over parole and mandatory release supervision and revocation decisions for all persons serving D.C. Code felony sentences. Second, the Act required the District of Columbia to move to a determinate sentencing system (at least for certain offenses), provided for terms of supervised release to follow these determinate sentences, and gave the Parole Commission ongoing responsibility for supervision and revocation decisions for D.C. Code offenders subject to terms of supervised release under the new determinate sentencing system. Third, it increased the authorized size of the Commission to five Commissioners.

The Parole Commission was re-accredited by the American Correctional Association’s Commission on Accreditation.

The Parole Commission revised the Salient Factor Score by increasing the weight given to prior commitments and age at offense, and deleting the drug-abuse item. The revised Salient Factor Score was designated as SFS 98.


The Parole Commission assumed jurisdiction over supervision and revocation decisions for D.C. Code parolees and mandatory releasees (effective August 5, 2000). The District of Columbia Board of Parole was abolished.

The District of Columbia moved to a determinate sentencing system for all D.C. Code offenses committed on or after August 5, 2000 (*The Sentencing Reform Amendment Act of 2000*). (As the law was signed at 5:00 p.m. on August 11, 2001, offenses committed on or after August 5, 2001 but before 5:00 p.m. on August 11, 2001 may be subject to the provisions of the *ex post facto* clause.). Court-imposed terms of supervised release are mandatory for felony offenders sentenced to imprisonment. For felony offenders sentenced to imprisonment for more than one year, the length of the term of supervised release is fixed by statute at five years (if
the maximum term of imprisonment authorized for the offense is twenty-five years or more) or three years (if the maximum term of imprisonment authorized for the offense is more than one year but less than twenty-five years), except in the case of certain sexual offenses for which longer terms of supervised release are authorized. By statute, the Parole Commission is responsible for supervision and revocation decisions for these offenders.

2001

The first D.C. Code determinate-sentence offenders were released on supervised release under the jurisdiction of the Parole Commission.

The Parole Commission began using its hearing examiners to conduct probable cause hearings in D.C. Code parole violation cases. Previously, probable cause hearings for alleged D.C. Code parole violators had been conducted by personnel of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency.

The Commission re-established the position of research director.

In FY 2001, the Commission had an authorized total of 81 positions (Commissioners and staff) and a budget of $8,836,000.

2002

Due to the additional responsibilities given the Parole Commission by The National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997, the Commission was authorized a total of 100 positions (Commissioners and staff) for FY 2002 and a budget of $9,876,000.

The Parole Commission published a revised Desk Book on Training and Reference Materials for hearing examiners and analysts as part of a program of staff training.


A. OVERVIEW

Sixty-three men and women have served as Members/Commissioners of the U.S. Board of Parole/U.S. Parole Commission. There have been fifty-one men and eleven women appointed. Their backgrounds have included law, medicine, law enforcement, institutional corrections, probation and parole, education, social work, and business.

From 1930-1950, federal parole board members were appointed by the Attorney General. Originally, the Board of Parole had three members. In 1945, two additional members were appointed.

Beginning in 1950, federal parole board members were appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate for six-year, staggered terms, and their number was increased to eight. At the end of his or her term, a member who had not been reappointed would continue to serve until his successor had been appointed and qualified. In the case of a vacancy, an appointment filling the vacancy would be for the unexpired portion of the term.

In 1976, the Parole Commission and Reorganization Act increased the number of federal parole board members (now called Parole Commissioners) to nine, and changed the provisions governing their terms in two respects. First, it provided that future appointments would be for full, six-year terms, effective on the date the appointee took office. Second, it provided that no person could serve a total of more than twelve years as a Parole Commissioner.

The Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984 extended the terms of Parole Commissioners holding office on the date of the taking effect of the sentencing guidelines (November 1, 1987) for an additional five years (until November 1, 1992) and removed the twelve-year limitation on total service as a Parole Commissioner. The Judicial Improvements Act of 1990 extended the terms of the Parole Commissioners holding office on November 1, 1987, by an additional five years (until November 1, 1997).

The Parole Commission Phaseout Act of 1996 reinstated the twelve-year limitation on total service as a Parole Commissioner. It also provided for the reduction in the number of Parole Commissioners to two Commissioners on December 31, 2000, and to one Commissioner on December 31, 2001.

The National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997 increased the authorized size of the Parole Commission to five Commissioners.
Subpart B lists the Members/Commissioners of the U.S. Board of Parole/U.S. Parole Commission by dates of service.

Subpart C provides a brief biographical sketch of each Member/Commissioner.

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59. Edward F. Reilly, Jr.  08/92  present
60. Michael J. Gaines  09/94  05/03
61. Marie F. Ragghianti  12/99  12/00
62. Janie L. Jeffers  12/99  12/00
63. Timothy E. Jones, Sr.  01/01  08/01
64. Cranston J. Mitchell  03/03  present

C. BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF THE MEMBERS/COMMISSIONERS

1. Amy N. Stannard

Birth Date: April 17, 1894 (Appleton, Wisconsin).

Education: B. A. and M.D., University of California.

Employment: Medical Officer, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Washington, D.C. (1923-1930).

Civic Works: Psychiatric Consultant, Life Adjustment Clinic and Juvenile Protective Association; Lecturer in Mental Hygiene, San Francisco Teacher's College.


2. Irvin B. Tucker
Birth Date: September 17, 1878 (Whiteville, North Carolina).

Education: North Carolina State College (1897-1900); University of North Carolina (1900). Admitted to the Bar (1901).


3. Arthur D. Wood

Birth Date: October 3, 1876 (Little Falls, Minnesota).

Education: High School Graduate.

Employment: Judge, Probate and Juvenile Court, Alger County, Michigan (1908-1926); Commissioner of Pardons and Paroles, Michigan (1926-1930).


4. Charles Whelan

Birth Date: July 9, 1873 (Gallion, Alabama).

Education: Bellevue Academy, Birmingham, Alabama; Georgetown College, Washington, D.C.; University of Virginia; M.D., University of Alabama (1896).

Employment: Physician, private practice, Birmingham, Alabama (1896-1908); City Physician in Charge of Prisons, Birmingham, Alabama (1908-1918); Welfare Director (Physician), American Radiator Co. (1918-1929).

Civic Works: President, Medical Association of the State of Alabama.

5. **T. Webber Wilson**

Birth Date: January 19, 1893 (Coldwater, Mississippi).

Education: B.A. and LL.B., University of Mississippi. Admitted to the Bar (1913).

Employment: Prosecuting Attorney, Jones County, Mississippi (1915-1919); U.S. District Attorney, Mississippi (1919-1923); Member of Congress (1923-1929); Attorney, Laurel, Mississippi (1929-1933); U.S. District Judge, Virgin Islands (1933-1935).


6. **Edward P. Reidy**

Birth Date: January 9, 1898 (Worcester, Massachusetts).

Education: B.B.A., Boston University (1922); B.Ed., Clark University (1925).

Employment: High School Teacher/Assistant Principal, Williamsburg, Massachusetts (1922-1925); High School Teacher, Ansonia, Connecticut (1925); High School Teacher, Providence, Rhode Island (1926-1936); Director of Public Welfare, Providence, R.I. (1929-1936); Director of Public Welfare, State of Rhode Island (1936-1938).

Civic Works: Chairman, Providence Council of Social Agencies.

Appointment: June 12, 1939, by Attorney General Frank Murphy. Resigned on February 5, 1947, to accept position of Director of Social Welfare for Rhode Island.

7. **Douglas P. Lucas**

Birth Date: April 11, 1881.


(no other information available)
8. Fred S. Rogers

Birth Date: April 19, 1897 (Beeville, Texas).

Education: High School; studied in law office in Texas. Admitted to the Bar (1909).

Employment: Major, U.S. Army (1917-1918); Attorney, Texas (1919-1931); County Attorney, Fannin County Texas (1927-1931); Member, State Board of Pardons & Paroles, Texas (1934-1935); Attorney, Austin, Texas (1935-1941); Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice (1941-1947).


9. Boleslaus J. Monkiewicz

Birth Date: August 8, 1898 (Syracuse, New York).

Education: LL.B., Fordham University (1921). Admitted to the Bar (1923).

Employment: Apprentice Seaman, U.S. Navy (1918-1921); Attorney, New Britain, Connecticut (1923-1937); Police Court Clerk, New Britain, Connecticut (1937-1939); Member of Congress (1939-1945); Unemployment Commissioner, Connecticut (1946-1947).


10. Daniel M. Lyons

Birth Date: February 7, 1886 (Boston, Massachusetts).


Employment: Attorney, private practice, Suffolk County, Mass. (1910-1917); Assistant District Attorney, Suffolk County, Massachusetts (1917-1922); Attorney, private practice, Boston, Massachusetts (1922-1935); Litigation Attorney, National Recovery Act, Washington, D.C. (1935); Trial Examiner, National Labor Relations Board, Washington, D.C. (1935); U.S. Pardon Attorney, Washington, D.C.
11. George C. Killinger

Birth Date: March 13, 1908 (Marion, Virginia).

Education: B.A., Wittenberg College, (1930); Ph.D., University of North Carolina (1933).


Civic Works: Chairman, Army Parole Board, Washington, D.C.; Fellow, American Psychologist Association; Diplomat, Board of Professional Examiners in Psychology.


12. Joseph H. DeWitt

Birth Date: March 15, 1888 (Duluth, Minnesota).

Education: B.S., University of Minnesota.

Employment: U.S. Army, Chemical Warfare Service (1918-1919); Parole Officer and Parole Director, Minnesota (1919-1944); Agent, U.S. Secret Service, Washington, D.C. (1944); Chief of Internal Security Officers, U.S. War Relocation Authority, Tule Lake, California (1944-1945); Chairman, U.S. Army
Clemency & Parole Board (1945-1948).

Appointment: October 13, 1948, by Attorney General Tom C. Clark. Term expired on August 7, 1953, upon creation of a reorganized Board. Continued in Government service later with the War Claims Commission.

13. James A. Johnston

Birth Date: September 15, 1874 (Brooklyn, New York).

Education: Two years of college, Sacred Heart, San Francisco, California; Healds Business College; American Institute of Banking; LaSalle Law School. Admitted to the Bar (1919).

Employment: Department Manager, Weinstock & Lublin Co. (1899-1909); Self-employed, Men's Furnishings Store (1910); Chairman, Board of Control, California (1911-1912); Warden, Folsom Prison, California (1912-1913); Warden, San Quentin & Folsom Prisons, California (1913-1925); Vice-President, American Trust Co. (1925-1932); Appraiser, H.O.L.C, (1933); Warden, Alcatraz Prison, U.S, Bureau of Prisons (1934-1948).

Civic Works: Director, California Crime Commission (1927-1930); Director, California Department of Penology (1929-1930); Member, Advisory and Pardon Board (1915-1925 and 1929-1930).


14. Richard A. Chappell

Birth Date: December 23, 1901 (Jeffersonville, Georgia).

Education: B.A., Mercer University, Macon, Georgia (1926); LL.B., Washington University; Fellow at New York School of Social Work (1926). Admitted to the Bar (1928).

Employment: U.S. Probation Officer, Macon, Georgia (1928-1930); U.S. Probation Officer, Atlanta, Georgia (1930-1937); Regional Director, Attorney General's Survey of Release Procedures (1936); Assistant Supervisor of Probation, Bureau of Prisons (1938-1940); Chief of Probation, Administrative Office of the Courts, Washington,


15. **Dorothy M. Lee**

Birth Date: April 11, 1901 (Oakland, California).

Education: B.A., University of California (1921); J.C.D., University of California (1923). Admitted to the Bar (1923).

Employment: Attorney, self-employed (1923-1943); Member, Oregon House of Representatives (1929-1933); Member, Oregon Senate (1933-1943); Commissioner, Public Utilities, Portland, Oregon (1943-1949); Mayor, Portland, Oregon (1949-1953).

Civic Works: President, Women's Advertising Club, Portland, Oregon; State Department Specialist, Western Germany; Chairman, Oregon Crime Commission; Municipal Judge, Portland, Oregon.

Appointment: August 8, 1953, by President Eisenhower. Resigned on August 31, 1956, to accept appointment as Chairman U.S. Subversive Activities Control Board.

16. **George J. Reed**

Birth Date: May 31, 1914 (Haigler, Nebraska)

Education: B.A., Pasadena College (1938); Graduate Work at University of Southern California in Sociology and Social Work.

Employment: Deputy Probation Officer, Los Angeles County Probation Department (1938-1946); U.S. Navy
(1942-1946); Field Representative, California Youth Authority (1946-1948); Chief, Division of Prevention and Parole Services, Minnesota Youth Conservation Commission (1949-1953).

Civic Works: Executive Secretary of the Minnesota Governor's Second and Third State Conference on Youth; Chairman, Minnesota State Interagency Recreational Council; Chairman, Committee on Community Organization of the Minnesota State Welfare Conference; Delegate, Mid-Century White House Conference on Children and Youth; Chairman, Parole Council, Member of Board of Trustees, National Conference Committee, National Conference on Parole.


17. Scovel Richardson

Birth Date: February 4, 1912 (Nashville, Tennessee).

Education: B.A., University of Illinois (1934); M.B.A. University of Illinois (1936); LL.B., Howard University School of Law (1937).

Employment: Attorney, Chicago, Ill. (1938-1939); Associate Professor of Law, Lincoln University, Missouri (1939-1943); Senior Attorney, Office of Price Administration, Washington, D.C. (1943-1944); Dean and Professor of Law, Lincoln University, Missouri (1944-1953).

Appointment: August 8, 1953, by President Eisenhower. Served as Chairman from September 28, 1954, to April 24, 1957. Resigned to accept appointment by President Eisenhower as Judge, U.S. Customs Court, on April 23, 1957.

18. Paul W. Tappan
Birth Date: December 25, 1911 (Danbury, Connecticut).

Education: B.A. cum laude, Clark University, Worcester, Massachusetts (1935); M.A. and Ph.D., University of Wisconsin (1940); LL.B., New York University (1943); J.C.D., Columbia University (1945). Admitted to the Bar (1943).

Employment: Assistant Instructor, University of Wisconsin (1936-1937); Instructor, Miami University, Ohio (1937-1941); Assistant Professor, Queens College, New York (1940-1946); Professor, New York University (1946-1953); Associate Reporter, American Law Institute (1952-1953).


Appointment: August 8, 1953, by President Eisenhower. Served as Chairman during entire period of service. Resigned on September 10, 1954, to return to former position as Professor at New York University and Reporter for the American Law Institute.

19. Lewis J. Grout

Birth Date: July 19, 1903 (Bosworth, Missouri).

Education: LL.B., University of Missouri (1928). Admitted to the Bar (1927).

Employment: Special Agent, F.B.I. (1928-1933); U.S. Probation Officer, Kansas City, Missouri (1933-1934); Chief U.S. Probation Officer, Kansas City, Missouri (1934-1943); Chief of Probation Division, Administrative Office of the Courts, Washington, D.C. (1944-1946); Chief U.S. Probation Officer, Kansas City, Missouri (1946-1954).


20. John E. Henry

Birth Date: October 13, 1894 (Waverly, Illinois).
Education: Public Schools, Jacksonville, Ill; Finance and Business Administration, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.


Civic Works: Member, Executive Committee, American Prison Association (1946-1949).


Birth Date: November 21, 1909 (Townsville, North Carolina).

Education: B.A., Duke University (1930); LL.B., Duke University (1933).


22. Gerald E. Murch

Birth Date: July 2, 1909 (North Jay, Maine).

Education: Wilton Academy, Wilton, Maine (1928); B.S., University of Illinois, Urbana (1932).

Employment: Parole Officer, State School for Boys, Maine (1933-1941); Parole Officer, Maine State Prison (1941-1942); Lt. Commander, U.S. Naval Reserve, Active Duty (1942-1946), Active Reserve
(1946-1960); Private Industry (1946-1949); Chief Parole Officer, Maine (1949-1955); Executive Secretary, Maine State Parole Board (1952-1955).

Civic Works: Lt. Commander, U.S. Naval Reserve (1946-1960),


23. **Eva Bowring**

   Birth Date: January 9, 1892 (Nevada, Missouri).

   Education: Public Schools, Pleasant Hill, Missouri.


   Civic Works: Advisor, National Institute of Mental Health; Director and Member, Northwest Hereford Breeders Association and Nebraska Stock Growers Association.


24. **Harvey G. Straub**

   Birth Date: September 9, 1902 (Toledo, Ohio).

   Education: B.A., University of Michigan (1930); LL.B., University of Michigan (1932); Admitted to the Bar (1932).

   Employment: Attorney, Brady and Associates (1932-1936); Assistant Director of Law, Toledo, Ohio (1936-1939); Municipal Court Judge, Toledo, Ohio (1939-1944); Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lucas County, Ohio (1944-1956); Attorney, Marshall, Melhorn, Block, and Beet (1956-1957).

   Appointment: September 5, 1957, by President Eisenhower. Resigned on January 14, 1958, to accept appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lucas County, Ohio.

25. **Edward J. Donovan**

   Birth Date: July 24, 1897.
Education:  B.A., Catholic University; Graduate Work at the New York School of Law and New York School of Social Work.

Employment:  Deputy Director, Westchester County, New York, Department of Probation (1929-1942); Director of Personnel, Westchester County, New York (1945-1947); Member, New York Board of Parole (1947-1951); Executive Director, Legislation Committee on Government Operation, New York (1957-1958).


26. Homer L. Benson

Birth Date:  November 19, 1918 (Elmore County, Alabama).
Education:  B.S., Tuskegee Institute, Alabama (1941); M.S.W., Atlanta University School of Social Work (1948).


Appointed:  November 9, 1962, by President Kennedy. Term expired and remained on duty until July 10, 1969, when his successor was appointed and qualified.

27. James A. Carr

Birth Date:  June 12, 1913.

Education:  Boston Public Latin School (1931); B.A., Harvard University (1935); Masters in Social Sciences, Boston University (1941).

Employment:  Massachusetts Department of Public Welfare (1936-1939); U.S. Probation Officer, Massachusetts (1946-1947); Chief Probation Officer, Suffolk County, Massachusetts (1947-1963).

Civic Works:  Lieutenant, Naval Reserve, Corrective Services Division (1943-1946); President, Board of Directors, Jamaica Plain Neighborhood House (1947-1963); Vice-President, Massachusetts
Committee on Probation (1939-1943); Director, Greater Boston Community Drive Fund (1939-1943).


28. Zeigel W. Neff

Birth Date: April 17, 1916 (Salisbury, Missouri).

Education: B.A., Southwest Missouri State (1939); J.D., University of Missouri (1948); LL.M., Georgetown University (1958).


Civic Works: Captain, U.S.N.R. (Retired) 1940-1945; Assistant Attorney General, Missouri (1953-1954); Judge Advocates Association (National Secretary).

Appointment: October 1, 1964, by President Johnson. Served as Acting Chairman and Chairman of the Youth Division from 1965 to 1970. Term expired on September 30, 1970.

29. Charlotte Paul Reese

Birth Date: May 22, 1916 (Seattle, Washington).


Employment: Assistant Foreign News Editor, Chicago Sun-Times (1940-1943); Editorial Staff, Esquire-Coronet Publications (1943-1946); Freelance researcher and writer (1941-1961); Co-publisher, Snoqualmie Valley Record and North Bend Record (weekly newspapers) (1949-1961); Panelist, KING-TV (1956-1959); Member, Washington State Board of Prison Terms & Paroles (1962-1964).

Appointment: September 24, 1964, by President Johnson. Term delayed until December 1, 1964, by agreement with predecessor. Term expired on September 30, 1970.

30. William T. Woodard, Jr.

Education: B.A., University of North Carolina


Appointment: June 12, 1966, by President Johnson. Retired on December 12, 1974.

31. Walter Dunbar

Birth Date: September 15, 1918 (Bakersfield, California).

Education: B.A., University of California, Los Angeles; Graduate Work in Public Administration and Law.

Employment: Supervisory Officer, California Institute for Men, Chino (1941-1942, 1946-1948); Staff, Special Crime Study Commission, California (1948-1949); Personnel Training Officer, California Department of Corrections (1949-1951); Associate Warden, San Quentin (1951-1955); Deputy Director, California Department of Corrections (1955-1961); Director, California Department of Corrections (1961-1967).

Civic Works: Editor, Manual of Correctional Standards; President, American Correctional Association; Chairman, Self Evaluation and Accreditation Committee, American Correctional Association.

Appointment: June 20, 1967, by President Johnson. Served as Chairman from June 20, 1967 to May 11, 1969. Resigned on February 26, 1971, to take position as Deputy Commissioner, Department of Correctional Services, State of New York.

32. William E. Amos

Birth Date: July 26, 1926 (Charleston, Arkansas)

Education: B.S.E., State College of Arkansas (1949); M.A., University of Tulsa (1950); M.Ed. University
of Maryland (1959); E.Ed, University of Maryland (1960).


Civic Works: Fellow, American Psychological Association; President, Western Society of Criminology (1975-1976); President, American Society of Criminology (1976-1977).

Appointment: July 17, 1969, by President Nixon. Designated as Chairman of the Youth Correction Division on May 1, 1972. Reappointed by President Ford in November 1974. Served as first Regional Commissioner of the South Central Region. Retired in November 1980, and accepted a teaching position at North Texas State University, Denton, Texas.

33. Paula Tennant

Birth Date: May 23, 1913 (Indiana)

Education: LL.B., Lincoln University Law School


Civic Works: Board of Directors for Camp Fire Girls (1957-1968); Chairman Lassen County Republican Central Committee; Founding Member of Executive Women in Government; Faculty, Federal Judicial Center, Seminar for Newly Appointed U.S. Judges.
Appointment: November 9, 1970, by President Nixon. Designated as the first Regional Commissioner of the Western Region in May 1976. Term expired on November 10, 1977, when her successor was appointed and qualified. Appointed Assistant District Attorney, County of Sam Mateo, Calif. after leaving the Commission. Reappointed in November 1983 by President Reagan. Designated as Regional Commissioner of the Southeast Region. Retired in June 1986.

34. Curtis C. Crawford

Birth Date: April 18, 1921 (Paris, Tennessee).

Education: B.A., West Virginia State College (1947); St. Louis University (1947-1949); LL.B., Lincoln University School of Law, Jefferson City, Missouri (1951).

Employment: Staff Sergeant, U.S. Air Force (1943-1946); Clerk, Army Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri (1949-1952); Investigator, Civil Transit and Casualty Co., St. Louis, Missouri (1951-1953); Associate Attorney, Lynch & McMillian Law Office, St. Louis, Missouri (1952-1956); Assistant Circuit Attorney, St. Louis, Missouri (1956-1961); Circuit Attorney, Chief Trial Assistant, St. Louis, Missouri (1962-1965); Director, Legal Aid Society, St. Louis, Missouri (1965-1967); Regional Director, U.S. Small Business Administration, St. Louis, Missouri (1970).

Appointment: November 9, 1970, by President Nixon. Served as first Regional Commissioner of the Northeast Region. Designated as Vice-Chairman in 1975. Designated as Acting Chairman on October 9, 1976. Term expired on November 10, 1977, when his successor was appointed and qualified. Resumed private law practice in Missouri.

35. Maurice H. Sigler

Birth Date: July 3, 1909 (Missouri City, Iowa)

Education: South Dakota State College

Employment: Correctional Officer, Leavenworth, Kansas (1939-1946); Correctional Lieutenant and Staff Training Supervisor, Seagoville, Texas (1946-1952);
Warden, Louisiana State Prison (1952-1958); Florida Division of Corrections (1958-1959); Warden, Nebraska State Penitentiary (1959-1963); Warden, Nebraska Penal and Correctional Complex (1963-1967); Director of Corrections, State of Nebraska (1967-1972).

Civic Works: President, American Correctional Association.

Appointment: August 2, 1971, by President Nixon. Designated as Chairman July 1, 1972. Retired on October 9, 1976. Accepted a position as a Senior Design Consultant in private industry.

36. Thomas R. Holsclaw

Education: B.S., University of Louisville; J.D., University of Louisville.


37. Lawrence A. Carpenter

Education: B.A., Southern Methodist University

Employment: Warden, Texarkana Prison; Warden, Seagoville Prison; Executive Assistant to the Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons; Chief of Corrections Division of Law Enforcement Assistance Administration.

Civic Works: Co-director, National Conference on Corrections; Executive Director of the Corrections Task Force of the National Advisory Commission on Criminal Justice Standards and Goals.

Appointment: May 23, 1974, by President Nixon. Designated as the first Regional Commissioner of the North Central Region. Retired on December 23, 1976.

38. Philip H. Modlin

Education: B.S., High Point College; LL.B., University of North Carolina
Employment: Attorney, Department of Labor; Labor Relations in private industry; Assistant to the Deputy Attorney General for Lawyer Careers; Deputy Director/Director, Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys.

Appointment: February 13, 1975, by President Ford. Designated as a member of the National Appeals Board. Resigned on March 28, 1975, to accept a position with the Department of Justice.

39. Joseph A. Nardoza

Birth Date: September 16, 1919 (New York City).

Education: B.B.A., Baruch School, City University of New York (1965); M.P.A., City University of New York (1968).


Appointment: November 24, 1975, by President Ford. Designated as Regional Commissioner of the Northeast Region. Term expired, but remained in office until January 9, 1982, when his successor was appointed and qualified.

40. J. Robert Cooper

Education: Junior College of Augusta; B.A., Emory University; LL.B., University of Georgia.

Employment: Aviator, U.S. Navy; Private practice of law, Gainsville, Georgia; Juvenile Court Judge, Hall County, Georgia; Member, Georgia House of Representatives (1967-1970); Assistant U.S. Attorney.


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41. **Dorothy Parker**

Birth Date: January 30, 1916 (New York, N.Y.).

Education: B.A., Barnard College; LL.B., Columbia Law School (changed to J.D.).

Employment: Private practice of law, New York, N.Y. (1938-1940); Technical Advisor, Court Press, Inc. (1940-1942); Executive Director, Independent Citizens' Committee to Re-elect Mayor LaGuardia (1942); Consultant, U.S. Office of Censorship (1942-1945); Executive Assistant to Director, UNRRA Clothing Collection (1945); Attorney, private practice, New York City (1945-1964); Branch Chief and Special Assistant, Office of General Counsel, U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (1965-1970); Counsel to Senator Hiram Fong (1970-1976); Minority Counsel, U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments (1970-1974); Minority Counsel, U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees (1974-1976).

Civic Works: Vice-Chairman, Exchange Visitors' Waiver Review Board; Faculty Member, Federal Judicial Center Seminar for Newly Appointed District Court Judges; Member, Executive Women in Government.

Appointment: October 19, 1976, by President Ford. Designated as a member of the National Appeals Board. Retired in October 1982.

42. **Cecil C. McCall**

Birth Date: June 22, 1936 (Pickens, South Carolina).

Education: B.A., University of South Carolina (1961); Georgia State University.

Employment: U.S. Air Force (1954-1958); Southeastern Regional Director of the National Foundation (1961-1970); Director, Georgia Department of Probation (1970-1971); Deputy Commissioner, Georgia Department of Offender Rehabilitation (1971-1972); Chairman, Georgia State Board of Pardons & Paroles (1972-1976); Member, Georgia State Board of Pardons & Paroles (1976-1977).

Civic Works: Visiting Fellow, Guggenheim Program in
Appointment: November 11, 1977, by President Carter. Served as Chairman from November 11, 1977 until June 26, 1981. Then designated as Regional Commissioner of the Southeast Region. Term expired in November 1983; continued to serve until December 1983 when his successor was appointed and qualified.

43. Benjamin J. Malcolm

Birth Date: August 24, 1919 (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania).

Education: B.A., Morehouse College; M.P.A., New York University

Employment: First Lt., U.S. Army; Parole Officer/Deputy Chief Parole Officer, New York City (1948-1967); Assistant Director of Labor Relations, New York City (1967-1970); Deputy Commissioner, New York City Department of Corrections (1970-1972); Commissioner, New York City Department of Corrections (1972-1977); Associate Professor, John Jay College; Associate Professor, C.W. Post College.

Civic Works: Member, Criminal Justice Advisory Council, National Urban League; Member, New York City Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (1972-1977); Member, New York State Crime Control Planning Board; Consultant, Commission on Accreditation.


44. Robert D. Vincent

Birth Date: November 15, 1942

Education: Oklahoma State University (1960-1963); B.A., University of Oklahoma (1964); M.S., University of Oklahoma (1968); Ph.D., University of Oklahoma Institute of Group Relations (1970).

Employment: Group Leader, Batelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio (1968-1969); President, Action

Civic Works: Chairman, Federal United Way Campaign, Dallas, Texas; Member and Director, Federal Executive Board, Dallas; Adjunct Professor, University of Texas, Arlington; Guggenheim Fellow, Yale University, College of Law (1980).

Appointment: November 11, 1977, by President Carter. Designated as Regional Commissioner of the North Central Region. Designated as a member of the National Appeals Board on August 1, 1978. Served as a member of the National Appeals until January 11, 1981, when designated as Regional Commissioner of the South Central Region. Resigned in September 1983.

45. Audrey Anita Rojas Kaslow

Education: B.A., University of California, Los Angeles; M.A., University of California, Los Angeles; M.S., University of Southern California.

Employment: Probation Officer/Administrator and Probation Director, Los Angeles County Probation Department; Consultant to international government bodies in Europe and Latin America; Consultant to U.S. Department of Labor Consultant/Advisor, U.S. Department of State, U.S. Agency for International Development; Fulbright Lecturer.

Civic Works: Member, California State Judicial Council; Committee Member, California State Social Welfare Board; Member, California State Committee on Public Education.

Appointment: November 22, 1977, by President Carter. Designated as Regional Commissioner of the Western Region. Designated as a member of the National Appeals Board on March 16, 1983. Term expired in November 1983.

46. O.J. Keller

Birth Date: April 21, 1923 (Lancaster, Pennsylvania).

Education: Phillips Exeter Academy (1941); B.A., Williams College (1945); M.A., Northern Illinois University
Employment: Vice President and Sales Manager, WTAx Radio, Springfield, Illinois (1951-1960); Chairman/Commissioner Illinois Youth Commission, Springfield, Illinois; Special Fellow, Committee on Human Development, University of Chicago (1963-1967); Research Fellow, Center Studies in Criminal Justice, University of Chicago (1965-1967); Director, Florida Division of Youth Services, Tallahassee, Florida (1967-1973); Secretary, Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, (1973-1975); Visiting Professor, Criminal Justice Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida (1975-1978).

Civic Works: President, American Correctional Association; President, National Association of State Juvenile Delinquency Administrators; Vice Chairman, Forum on Delinquency, White House Conference on Children and Youth Faculty; Member, National College of Juvenile Justice.

Appointment: September 1, 1978, by President Carter. Designated as Regional Commissioner of the Southeast Region. Designated as a member of the National Appeals Board on January 11, 1981. Term expired in September 1984; continued to serve until October 1984 when his successor was appointed and qualified.

47. Richard T. Mulcrone

Birth Date: May 23, 1934 (St. Paul, Minnesota).

Education: Central High School, St. Paul Minnesota (1952); St. Thomas College (1952-1953) and (1955-1956).

Employment: Police Patrolman, St. Paul Parks Department (1953-1954); U.S. Army, Special Services (1954-1955); Roving Gang Worker, St. Paul, Minnesota (1956); Probation Officer, St. Paul, Minnesota (1957-1959); Probation Officer, Carver and Scott Counties, Minnesota (1959-1963); Director of Court Services, Carver and Scott Counties, Minnesota (1963-1967); Family Court Referee, Carver and Scott Counties, Minnesota (1973); Chairman, Minnesota Corrections Board (1973-1978).

Civic Works: President, Minnesota Association of County
Probation Officers; President, Minnesota Corrections Association; Member, Governors Commission on Crime Prevention and Control; Member, Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission.

Appointment: October 18, 1978, by President Carter. Designated as Regional Commissioner of the North Central Region. Resigned on January 4, 1982, to accept a position as General Manager of City Venture Corporation to head their Criminal Justice Program.

48. Cameron M. Batjer

Birth Date: August 8, 1924 (Smith, Nevada).

Education: B.A., University of Nevada (1941); J.D., University of Utah (1950).

Employment: General ranch and farm experience (prior to 1941); Teacher, Nevada Elementary Schools and Legal Assistant, Utah State Senate (1941-1951); Legal Assistant to Senator George W. Malone, Washington, D.C. (1952-1953); District Attorney, Carson City, Nevada (1954-1959); Attorney, private practice, Carson City, Nevada (1959-1967); Justice, Nevada Supreme Court (1967-1981); Chief Justice, Nevada Supreme Court (1977-1978).

Civic Works: President Carson City Rotary Club; Member American Bar Association Committee on Implementation of Standards of Judicial Administration; Member Board of Governors, State of Nevada.


49. Benjamin F. Baer

Birth Date: January 2, 1918 (Peoria, Illinois)

Education: University of Illinois; B.A., San Diego State College (1941); M.A., University of Southern California (1947); Completed course work for doctorate degree, University of Southern California.

Civic Works: Commissioner (ex-officio), U.S. Sentencing Commission; Advisory Board Member (ex-officio), National Institute of Corrections; Member, President Kennedy's Juvenile Delinquency Committee; Member Board of Directors of American Correctional Association; Member of the Professional Counsel, National Counsel on Crime and Delinquency.


50. Victor M.F. Reyes

Education: B.S. and M.P.A., University of Arizona; Ph.D course work at the University of Texas.

Employment: Recreational Director and Supervisor for the Pima County Juvenile Detention Center; Arizona State Juvenile Parole Officer; Arizona State Adult Parole Officer; Administrator, (Warden) CHAPS Project at the Arizona State Industrial School and Member of the Arizona Juvenile Administrative (Parole) Board; Coordinator, Mutual Agreement Programming Project; Hearing Examiner, U.S. Parole Commission (1974-1979), Administrative Hearing Examiner, U.S. Parole Commission (1979-1982).


51. Carol Pavilack Getty

Education: B.A. (Mathematics), Wellesley College; M.S. (Criminal Justice), Arizona State University. Courses completed at the University of Oregon, Phoenix College, University of Southern California, and Washington Public Affairs Center; Ph.D. course work completed at University of Missouri - Kansas City.

Employment: Member and Vice Chairman of the Arizona Board of Pardons and Parolees; mathematics teacher for grades 7-11; engineering aide for the Garrett Corporation; computer analyst for Motorola.

Civic Works: Member, Arizona Crime Commission; Technical Advisor, Maricopa County Alternatives to Incarceration Committee; Vice Chairman, Criminal Justice Advisory Committee, City of Phoenix; Volunteer Institutional Probation Officer, Maricopa County; Member, Maricopa County Foster Care Review Board; Treasurer and Chairman of Finance Committee and Community Study and Action Committees, Junior League of Phoenix; Co-Chair, Phoenix Junior League IMPACT Program; President, Phoenix Wellesley Club; Treasurer, Secretary, Docent, Touring Docent Chair, Fund Raising Chair, and By-Laws Chair, Phoenix Art Museum League; Advisor, Kansas City Junior League: Focus on Crime Committee; Member, Kansas City Victim Net Board; Third Vice-President, Chair of Substance Abuse Program and Public Relations Committees, Kansas City Federal Executive Board; Board Member, Kansas City Women's Chamber of Commerce; Chair, Women's Leadership Institute, University of Missouri - Kansas City; Chair-Elect of Chancellor's Advisory Board to the Women's Center, University of Missouri - Kansas City; Treasurer and Regional Vice-President, Association of Paroling Authorities, International; Commissioner (ex-officio), U.S. Sentencing


52. Vincent J. Fechtel, Jr.

Education: B.A., University of Florida College of Business Administration.

Employment: Owned and operated various business enterprises in Florida, including a retail store chain and a real estate and construction company (since 1959). Elected as a legislator in the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representatives. Served in the Naval Reserve and the National Guard.

Appointment: November 22, 1983, by President Reagan. Designated as a Member of the National Appeals Board. Term extended under the provisions of the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984. Retired on April 1, 1996.

53. Helen G. Corrothers

Education: A.A., Arkansas Baptist College (Liberal Arts) (Magna Cum Laude); B.S., Roosevelt University (Business Administration) (Honors Graduate); U.S. Army Officer Training and Leadership School (Distinguished Military Graduate); Graduate, Summer Institute for Criminal Justice Executives, University of Chicago; Completed course requirements for M.B.A./Ph.D., California Coast University (Business Administration).

Employment: United States Army (1955-1969), entered as a Private and rose to the rank of Captain (Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal and the Army Commendation Medal); Chief, Military Personnel, Fort Meyers, Virginia (1965-1967); Director for Housing, U.S. Army Support Center, Giessen, Germany (1967-1969); State Prison
Warden/Superintendent, Arkansas Department of Correction (1971-1983).

Civic Works: Arkansas State Commission on Crime and Law Enforcement; Arkansas State Commission on Status of Women; National Board of Directors, Volunteers of America; Treasurer, Pine Bluff Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; Treasurer, Vice-President, and President, American Correctional Association.

Appointment: December 1, 1983, by President Reagan. Designated as Regional Commissioner of the Western Region. Resigned on October 25, 1985 to accept appointment as a Commissioner, United States Sentencing Commission, by President Reagan.

54. Daniel R. Lopez

Education: Army Air Corps Instructors Course, University of Southern California. Courses at the U.S. Navy Quartermaster School, Phipps Flying Service, State Personnel Board Training Officer School, Vallejo Junior College, University of Southern California, University of California at Los Angeles, University of California School Criminology, and McGeorge School of Law.

Employment: U.S. Navy, Quartermaster and Senior Petty Officer (during World War II). Correctional Officer, California Department of Corrections (attained the rank of Captain and was appointed a Special Agent, working as a liaison with the courts, district attorneys, probation departments, and law enforcement agencies). Consultant to the Director of the California Director of Corrections. Manager of the East Los Angeles State Service Center; Deputy Director of the Division of Job Training and Placement of the Department of California Human Resources Development. Member of the California Parole Board (1980-1983).


55. Jasper R. Clay, Jr.

Birth Date: November 26, 1933 (Fairmont, West Virginia)
56. Saundra Brown Armstrong

Education: B.A., California State University at Fresno; J.D., University of San Francisco School of Law.

Employment: Policewomen, Oakland Police Department; Deputy District Attorney, Alameda County, California; District Attorney's Office; Senior Consultant, California Assembly Committee on Criminal Justice; Trial Attorney, Public Integrity Section, U.S. Department of Justice; Commissioner, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, served as Vice Chairman (1984-1985).

Appointment: July 24, 1986, by President Reagan. Designated as Regional Commissioner of the Western Region. Resigned on January 27, 1989, to accept appointment as a judge of the Alameda County Superior Court (California). On June 21, 1991, she was appointed as a judge of the U.S. District Court (Northern District of California).
Birth Date: October 20, 1935 (Leesburg, Florida)

Education: B.A., University of South Florida; J.D., University of Florida. Graduate of the U.S. Air Force Language School at Indiana University; received additional litigation and advocacy training at Northwestern University, University of Houston, and Georgetown University.


58. John R. Simpson

Birth Date: February 13, 1932.

Education: B.C., Loyola College in Montreal (1954); J.D., New England School of Law (1964).


Civic Works: President of Interpol (1984-1988); Life Member, International Association of Chiefs of Police; Member, American Society of Industrial Security; Member, National Sheriffs' Association; Member, National Association of Public Administrators; Member, Former Agents' Association of Secret Service; Member, National War College Alumni Association; Member, Board of Trustees, New England School of Law; Member, Board of Corporators, New England School of Law; Member, Maryland Governor's Commission on Violent Crime (1993-1995).

Appointment: April 20, 1992, by President Bush. Designated as Regional Commissioner of the Eastern Region.

59. Edward F. Reilly, Jr.

Birth Date: March 24, 1937 (Leavenworth, Kansas).
Education:  B.A., University of Kansas (Political Science) (1961).


Civic Works: Commissioner (ex-officio), U.S. Sentencing Commission (1992-1997); Advisory Board Member (ex-officio) (1992-1997), National Institute of Corrections; Commissioner, National Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (1982-1986); Member, National Highway Safety Advisory Committee (1985); Advisory Member, American Justice Institute (1983-1984); Member, Community Advisory Committee, Leavenworth Penitentiary; Member, Board of Directors, St. John Hospital Leavenworth, Kansas (1974 - 1981); Vice-President and Director, Leavenworth Historical Society (1968-1973); Member, Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; Director and Charter Member, Leavenworth People To People; Director, Kaw Valley Heart Association (1971-1977); Director, Leavenworth Association for the Handicapped (1968-1969); Director, Leavenworth County Chapter, American Red Cross; Member, Frontier Army Museum Association Board of Directors (1986-1993); Member, Kansas Attorney General's Task Force on Drug Education (1986); Member, Buffalo Soldier Monument Committee; Commissioner, Kansas Governor's Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Celebration Commission (1991); Member, Kansas State Penitentiary Citizens Advisory Committee; Civilian Co-sponsor, Irish International Officers attending the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; Instructor/lecturer in Local, State, and National Government, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, for International Officers and Students (1975-1992); Director, Kansas Blue Cross/Blue Shield (1969-1972).

as Chairman until February 4, 1997, when designated as a Member of the National Appeals Board. Again designated as Chairman on May 31, 2001.

60. Michael J. Gaines

Birth Date: September 13, 1951 (Russellville, Arkansas).

Education: B.A. (1973) and J.D. (1977), University of Arkansas at Little Rock. Admitted to the Bar (1977). Member of the Bar of Arkansas, the United States District Court, and the Supreme Court of the United States.

Employment: Arkansas Governor's Security (1973-1977); Attorney, private practice (1977-1978); Parole Hearing Examiner, Arkansas Department of Correction (1978-1983); Criminal Justice Liaison and Pardon and Extradition Counsel to Governor of Arkansas (1983-1986); Executive Director of the Arkansas State Supreme Court Committee on Professional Conduct (1986-1989); Chairman of the Arkansas State Board of Parole and Community Rehabilitation (1986-1994); Member of Arkansas Board of Correction (1989-1994).

Civic Works: Arkansas Governor's Corrections Resources Commission; Arkansas Governor's Task Force on Crime; Arkansas Commission on Probation and Parole Guidelines; Adjunct Professor, University of Arkansas (1979-1982).

Appointment: September 28, 1994, by President Clinton. Designated as a Member of the National Appeals Board. Designated as Chairman on February 4, 1997. Served as Chairman until May 31, 2001 when designated as a member of the National Appeals Board. Resigned on May 15, 2003.

61. Marie Fajardo Ragghianti

Birth Date: June 13, 1942.


Employment: Extradition Officer, Tennessee Department of Corrections (1975-1976); Chair, Tennessee Board of Pardons and Paroles (1976-1977); Consultant to the

Civic Works: Ms. Ragghianti was responsible for a federal investigation of corruption in the Tennessee parole and pardon process that led to the conviction of the governor and two aides, and was the subject of the movie, Marie. She received the Goldsmith award for journalism while attending the Kennedy School of Government and was a National Institute on Drug Abuse fellow while attending the graduate program in criminal justice at the State University of New York at Albany.

Appointment: December 9, 1999, by President Clinton (recess appointment). Designated as Member of the National Appeals Board. Designated as Vice Chairman on January 6, 2000. Appointment expired December 15, 2000 as no action on her nomination had been taken by the Senate.

62. Janie L. Jeffers

Birth Date: June 4, 1947.

Education: B.A. and M.S.W., Howard University.

Civic Works: Ms. Jeffers has served as a consultant to the World Health Organization on AIDS management in penal institutions in Europe and Africa, as an adjunct professor at the Baruch College, as a field instructor at the Columbia University School of Social Work, as a field instructor at the Howard University School of Social Work, and as an instructor at the National Academy of Corrections.

Appointment: December 10, 1999, by President Clinton (recess appointment). Designated as a Regional Commissioner. Appointment expired December 15, 2000 as no action on her nomination had been taken by the Senate.

63. Timothy E. Jones, Sr.
Birth Date: September 21, 1948.

Education: B.A. (Sociology/Psychology) and M.Ed. (Correctional Counseling), Georgia State University.


Civic Works: Board of Directors for the Greater Lithonia Chamber of Commerce; Member of the DeKalb County (Georgia) Olympic Authority; Member of the DeKalb County Civic Center Commission; Vice Chairman of the Georgia Law-Related Education Consortium; Alumnus of Leadership Georgia and Leadership Atlanta Foundations; Vietnam Veteran – received the Bronze Star (for heroism in ground combat), Purple Heart, and Vietnam Cross of Gallantry; served as District Commander and State Judge Advocate for the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

Appointment: January 2, 2001, by President Clinton (recess appointment). Designated as a Member of the National Appeals Board. Designated as Vice Chairman on January 19, 2001. Resigned August 31, 2001 to accept an appointment as Chief of Staff to the Dekalb County (Georgia) Executive Officer.

64. Cranston J. Mitchell

Birth Date: August 25, 1946

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Civic Works:  Member of the Association of Paroling Authorities, International and honored with the Vincent O'Leary Award for contributions to the field of parole; member of the National Association of Blacks in Justice and honored with the Jonathon Jasper Wright Community Leadership Award.  Served on the Public Housing Authority of Jefferson City, MO as Commissioner and as Vice Chairman.  Served on the Board of Directors of the Missouri Victim Assistance Network.

Appointment: March 6, 2003, by President Bush.
PART 3 – WORKLOAD OF THE U.S. BOARD OF PAROLE AND U.S. PAROLE COMMISSION

The following table illustrates the workload of the U.S. Board of Parole/U.S. Parole Commission for the fiscal years 1931-2001. Included are decisions made on the basis of initial and review hearings relative to the grant or denial of parole, and revocation hearings for persons on parole or mandatory release supervision. The decisions shown are those that generally follow a personal hearing with the prisoner or releasee (although in some circumstances, the decision may have been made on the basis of a record review). Other decisions that are made on the basis of a review of the case record (e.g., decisions relative to warrant issuance, modification of conditions of supervision, and termination of supervision) are not included.

The decisions shown enable comparison of the workload for the years before Fiscal Year 1974 with the workload for Fiscal Year 1975 and thereafter. In Fiscal Year 1975, the Board of Parole completed its regionalization and shifted to a more automated data collection system. Data from Fiscal Year 1974, the transition year, is not available. Despite its limitations, it is believed that this table can provide a useful approximation of the workload of the Board/Commission over the years.

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