



**LOUISIANA
BOARD OF PARDONS & PAROLE**

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BOARD DIRECTIVE

SUBJECT: REHEARING GUIDELINES

PURPOSE: To establish guidelines for considering requests for parole re-Hearings

REFERENCES: ACA Standards 2-1086, 1086-1, 2-1122, and 2-1125, Board Policy 07-705-POL, "Application for Rehearing/Request for Reconsideration"

AUTHORITY: LAC Title 22, Part XI; La. R.S. 15:574.2

POLICY:

If an offender is denied parole at his initial parole hearing, the offender may apply for a rehearing in accordance with Board Policy, 07-705-POL, "Application for Rehearing; Request for Reconsideration of Decision." In addition, an offender whose parole has been revoked, and who is otherwise eligible for re-parole, may request a subsequent parole hearing.

PROCEDURE:

- A. When considering requests for rehearing, the parole panel considering the request shall consider previous parole decisions, particularly the history of denials.
- B. The parole panel considering the request may deny the offender's request for rehearing, but each panel member must provide written reason for the decision to grant or deny the request for rehearing.
- C. Parole violators whose parole has been revoked may also request a rehearing. The parole violation should be considered in the context of an offender's total history in deciding whether or not to deny the offender's request for a rehearing.

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- D. An offender whose request for rehearing has been denied on multiple occasions, must be scheduled for a re-hearing no later than ten (10) years from the most recent parole hearing date, regardless of whether or not the offender has submitted a request for rehearing within the ten year period. This subsequent hearing does not establish an expectation that an offender is likely to be granted parole.

SHERYL M. RANATZA, CHAIRMAN

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This Directive replaces and supersedes Board Directive 07-705-A-DIR “Rehearing Guidelines” dated July 20, 2020. (Technical revisions only)