Board of Pardons & Committee on Parole State of Louisiana

JEFF M. LANDRY Governor



SHERYL M. RANATZA BOARD CHAIRMAN

NOTICE

PARDON HEARING DOCKET: April 21, 2025

The Board of Pardons will conduct a public meeting on Monday, April 21, 2025. This meeting will be held in the Pardon Board hearing room at 703 South Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802. Participation will also be available through Zoom video conferencing and live-streamed on YouTube at 9:00 AM. The inmate will not be physically present but will meet with the Pardon Board through video conferencing from their current correctional facility. Non-incarcerated applicants may attend in person or via Zoom. Under the Open Meetings Law, the Pardon Board may hold an executive session to discuss confidential information related to the case in question.

Public Comment:

There are several options for providing public comments regarding public meetings. Public comment may be provided either before or during the meeting. See the process below for all possibilities. Any public comment received will be considered during the meeting. If you do not plan to speak and wish only to observe, you can watch the meeting live on <u>YouTube</u>. You can also visit our website <u>here</u> for more information about upcoming Pardon and Parole hearings.

Before the Meeting:

- All emails must be submitted to <u>ParoleBoard@la.gov</u> and include the inmate's name and DOC number. The deadline to submit a letter in support or opposition is 5:00 PM, the day before the scheduled hearing.
- If mailing in a letter or video, please mail it to the Pardon Board at P.O. Box 94304, Baton Rouge, LA 70804.

Participation by Zoom:

• Registration for the day's meeting will begin at 7:30 AM and end at 8:30 AM. The Zoom registration meeting ID is **986-320-2809**.

In Person at DPS&C Headquarters – 703 South Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70802

- You must check in with DPS&C Headquarters security before the 9:00 AM start of the hearings.
- All visitors may be subject to a security search.
- Personal items not allowed on the premises include handbags, cell phones, laptops, tablets, smartwatches, weapons and contraband.
- Appropriate attire for hearing appearance is required.
- Children under the age of 12 will not be allowed in the hearing room.
- Please be advised that you will not be allowed to leave and reenter the security facility upon entering.

Family/supporters of incarcerated applicants are encouraged to participate at the inmate's correctional facility. You must contact the facility before the hearing date for information on how to attend.

If you are unable to attend the hearing and wish to know the results, please contact the Pardon Board staff at (225) 342-5421 or (225) 342-5422 after the hearing date.

The Department of Public Safety and Corrections maintains a database for victims of crimes, and if a victim wishes to do so, they can register with the department. Once registered, a victim will be notified of specific changes in the status of the convicted offender. If you are not registered and would like to be, you can contact the Louisiana Victim Outreach Program by calling (225) 342-1056 or download a copy of the registration form from the Victim Services page on the agency website.

Please contact the Louisiana Board of Pardons & Committee on Parole staff if special accommodations are needed. Contact person: Chiquita McQuirter at (225) 342-5422



AGENDA LOUISIANA BOARD OF PARDONS REGULAR MEETING Monday, April 21, 2025 9:00 AM

The Louisiana Board of Pardons will meet on Monday, April 21, 2025, in the Pardon Board hearing room located at 703 South Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802, through Zoom videoconferencing and live streaming on YouTube starting at 9:00 AM. Please see the above notice for the video conference meeting ID#.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Public Comment (allowed on request before any action item)
- 4. Regular Business
 - Review and Approval of Minutes, Monday, April 07, 2025 Regular Meeting
 - Consideration of applications for Clemency/Pardon (see docket below)
- 5. New Business
- 6. Adjournment

The Board may convene an executive session at any time to discuss confidential information not subject to public disclosure.

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Hearing Location: Louisiana Department of Public Safety & Corrections Headquarters 504 Mayflower Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802 (225) 342-5422

Assigned	Applicant's Name	DOC #	Request/Location	JDC/Location	Offense	Vote
1.	BLANKS, CHARLES A.	598250	PWF Released	26 th JDC Webster	Malfeasance in Office Sexual Conduct	
2.	CARRIER, CHRISTOPHER J.	421273	PWF Released	13 th JDC / 33 rd JDC Allen/Evangeline	Possession of Cocaine; Theft	
3.	GONZALES, JEREMY W.	534848	PWF Released	23 rd JDC Ascension	Possession of Methamphetamine	
4.	PELOW, ROBERT M.	353865	PWF Released	1 st JDC Caddo	Manufacture and Growth of Marijuana	
5.	HOLLAND, PAUL S.	516151	CTO DWCC	14 th JDC / 38 th JDC Calcasieu/Cameron	Sexual Battery; Sexual Battery; Sexual Battery; Sexual Battery; Sexual Battery	WITHDREW
6.	NEIGHBORS, JR., JERRY L.	570869	CTO DWCC	3 rd JDC Lincoln	Sexual Battery- 2 Cts.; Attempted Aggravated Rape	
7.	AUSTIN, MONCHELLE R. ATTY: ASHWINI VELCHAMY	585578	CTO LCIW	19 th JDC East Baton Rouge	Manslaughter	
8.	BENN, TODD	384760	CTO EHCC	23 rd JDC St. James	Second Degree Murder	
9.	BIRDSONG, JR., SOLOMON	102863	CTO LSP	1 st JDC Caddo	First Degree Murder	
10.	EASTER, DEMETRICK D.	381074	CTO LSP	1 st JDC Caddo	Possession of Cocaine; Second Degree Murder	

CTO=Commutation of Sentence - PWF=Pardon with Restoration of Firearms - PWOF=Pardon without Restoration of Firearms - Released=Not incarcerated

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11.	JONES, JR., RAY	92526	CTO LSP	1 st JDC Caddo	First Degree Murder	
12.	REESE, EDDIE L.	107705	CTO LSP	24 th JDC Jefferson	Aggravated Rape	
13.	THOMAS, DAVID L.	95120	CTO LSP	4 th -J DC Ouachita	Aggravated Rape	REMOVED
14.	WASHINGTON, JR., JOHNSON	85245	CTO LSP	29 th JDC St. Charles	First Degree Murder	
15.	MARCHAND, CURTIS D.	381022	CTO SPB	19 th JDC East Baton Rouge	Second Degree Murder; Simple Burglary – 2 Cts.	