



STATE OF WASHINGTON

INDETERMINATE SENTENCE REVIEW BOARD

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MISSION

The Indeterminate Sentence Review Board, successor to the Board of Prison Terms and Paroles (1986), is responsible for making decisions to parole, release to community custody or further incarcerate offenders under indeterminate and “determinate plus” jurisdiction. The Board’s responsibility is to balance the public safety and the rehabilitation of the offender.

RESPONSIBILITIES

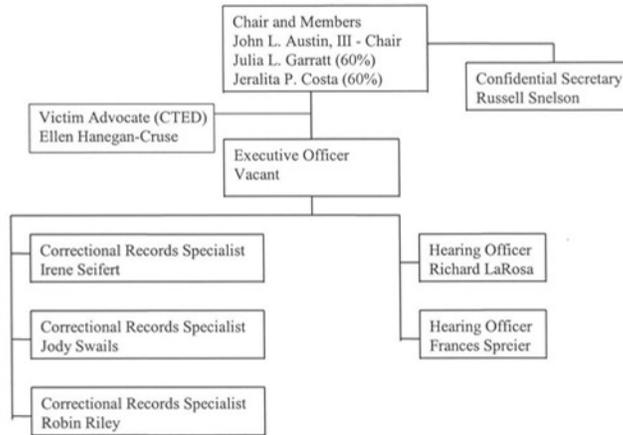
Board hearings are judicial determinations of fitness for release and rehabilitation per RCW 9.95.100 for offenders committing their crimes before July, 1984, and the Board web-site “Parole System” summarizes that process. Certain sex offenders are newly under Board jurisdiction for crimes committed after 9/1/01 and the statutory basis for consideration of their release is RCW 9.95.420, “Determinate Plus” sentencing. The Board makes a careful analysis of the behavior manifest in the crime or “work-product” as well as a detailed analysis of the behaviors prior to and since the crime. Some empirical risk assessment instruments are also available, but no theorist asserts these are precise. The decisions turn on a discretionary assessment of a multiplicity of imponderables, entailing primarily what a man is and what he may become rather than simply what he has done. Each Board member decides independently and consensus establishes the decision.

Revocation hearings are “mini-trials” for determination of the facts and whether re-incarceration is required for disciplining those in the community.

Presently there remain about 750 inmates under Board jurisdiction for crimes committed before July, 1984, about 100 in the community on parole and about 250 on escape status. About 250 to 300 hearings per year are currently conducted. About 50 parole revocation hearings are now required per year. Reduction of these numbers through reaching sentence maximum or completing three years of parole anticipates about 250 lifers remaining in about four years. The sex offenders placed under Board jurisdiction effective 9/1/01 appear to number about 400 per year and the duration of their present

supervision periods suggests about 4,000 under Board jurisdiction by the 10th year after effective date.

**Organizational Chart of the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board
as of September 13, 2004.**



BUDGET

FY03/05 Biennium Budget - \$1,974,000

FTE's: 8.2

Meetings held monthly.

CHALLENGE

This Board has experienced a pronounced change from a “vestige”, sun-setting, agency working through the last of several thousand pre-1984 offenders by parole and maximum sentence to a rapidly expanding sex-crimes specialist quasi-judicial agency.

Incorporating the estimated 400 new annual sex-crime offenders into release and supervision procedures with existing resources has been challenging and control of the growth of the agency is a primary focus.

JA:rls 9/13/04

Board Member Listing by Board Position

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Agency 250 - Indeterminate Sentence Review Board	Senate Conf. Y	Positions: Maximum 003
Authority Governor	Public Disc. Y	Minimum 003
Authoriztn. RCW 9.95.003	Term Length 060	Actual 007
Rem. Auth. TC	Meetings/Yr. 12	

<u>Pos. #</u>	<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Expires</u>
001	Garratt, Julia L. (Ms.) 8949 - 132nd Place SE Newcastle, WA 98059	A	C	07/23/1999	04/15/2004
		Terms Served	02		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	General Public		

<u>Pos. #</u>	<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Expires</u>
002	Costa, Jeralita POB 796 Marysville, WA 98270	A	C	09/13/2004	04/15/2005
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	General Public		

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003	Austin, John 4401 SW Edmunds Seattle, WA 98116	A	C	05/19/2004	04/15/2009
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	Chair		
		Comments	General Public		