

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PARDON

Avner Ben-Porat

Avner Ben-Porat, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On January 5, 1990, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Ben-Porat to three years of probation for first degree burglary. On February 21, 1997, the same court sentenced Mr. Ben-Porat to one year of probation for misdemeanor theft.

Mr. Ben-Porat has submitted to this office a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. He has provided evidence that he is living an upright life and has demonstrated his fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. Mr. Ben-Porat has also presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his immigration status, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Ben-Porat does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Ben-Porat, merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Avner Ben-Porat a full and unconditional pardon for the above cases.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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Secretary of State

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PARDON

Kelli Burrell

Kelli Burrell, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On March 27, 1987, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles sentenced Ms. Burrell to three years of probation and 365 days in jail for robbery. Ms. Burrell was 23 years old at the time of the crime.

Ms. Burrell has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On June 14, 2007, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, granted Ms. Burrell a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that she has been living an upright life. By granting Ms. Burrell's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Ms. Burrell be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Ms. Burrell does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Burrell merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Kelli Burrell a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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Jorge Carrillo

Jorge Carrillo, a resident of Mexico and former resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On November 25, 1998, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Carrillo to three years of probation and one day in jail for selling marijuana.

Mr. Carrillo has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On January 18, 2008, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, granted Mr. Carrillo a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Carrillo's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Carrillo be granted a full pardon.

Mr. Carrillo has presented evidence that a collateral consequence of his conviction, namely, his deportation to Mexico resulting in the separation of his family, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Mr. Carrillo does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Carrillo merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Jorge Carrillo a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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PARDON

Dissary Chairez

Dissary Chairez, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On December 17, 1998, the Superior Court of California, County of Kern, sentenced Ms. Chairez to one year and four months in prison for possessing a controlled substance for sale. Ms. Chairez was 23 years old at the time of the crime.

Ms. Chairez has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On November 13, 2018, the Superior Court of California, County of Kern, granted Ms. Chairez a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that she has been living an upright life. By granting Ms. Chairez's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Ms. Chairez be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Ms. Chairez does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Chairez merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Dissary Chairez a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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Gwen Cruickshank

Gwen Cruickshank, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On October 20, 1997, the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, sentenced Ms. Cruickshank to three years of probation and 10 days in jail for possession of a controlled substance for sale. On October 30, 1997, the same court sentenced Ms. Cruickshank to three years of probation and 5 days in jail for fraud to obtain aid.

Ms. Cruickshank has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On April 15, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, granted Ms. Cruickshank a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that she has been living an upright life. By granting Ms. Cruickshank's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Ms. Cruickshank be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Ms. Cruickshank does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Cruickshank merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Gwen Cruickshank a full and unconditional pardon for the above cases.

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Burton King

Burton King, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On January 14, 1991, the Superior Court of California, County of Fresno, sentenced Mr. King to two years in prison for possession of a controlled substance for sale.

Mr. King has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On June 28, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Fresno, granted Mr. King a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. King's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. King be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. King does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. King merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Burton King a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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PARDON

Steve Kirkendoll

Steve Kirkendoll, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On October 14 and 17, 1977, in the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, and on May 3, 1978, in the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, Mr. Kirkendoll was sentenced to three concurrent terms of five years to life for two counts of first degree robbery and one count of second degree robbery. Mr. Kirkendoll was 20 years old at the time of his crimes.

Mr. Kirkendoll has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On March 12, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda, granted Mr. Kirkendoll a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Kirkendoll's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Kirkendoll be granted a full pardon.

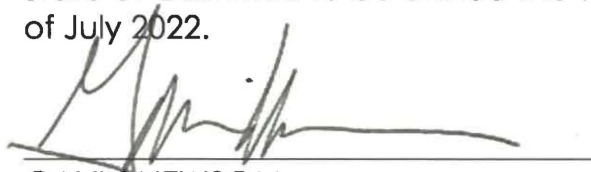
Mr. Kirkendoll's pardon application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

This act of clemency for Mr. Kirkendoll does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Kirkendoll merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Steve Kirkendoll a full and unconditional pardon for the above cases.

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PARDON

Sara Kruzan

Sara Kruzan, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On September 28, 1995, the Superior Court of California, County of Riverside, sentenced Ms. Kruzan to life without the possibility of parole for first degree murder plus a four-year consecutive firearm enhancement. On December 31, 2010, Governor Schwarzenegger commuted her sentence to 25 years to life. On January 18, 2013, Ms. Kruzan was resentenced to 15 years to life for second degree murder plus a four-year firearm enhancement, a total term of 19 years to life. Ms. Kruzan was released after serving 18 years in prison. When Ms. Kruzan was 16 years old, she fatally shot the man who had abused her and trafficked her for sex.

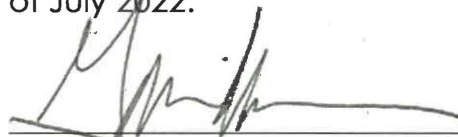
Ms. Kruzan has submitted to this office a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. She has provided evidence that she is living an upright life and has demonstrated her fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities.

Ms. Kruzan committed a crime that took the life of the victim. Since then, Ms. Kruzan has transformed her life and dedicated herself to community service. This act of clemency for Ms. Kruzan does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Kruzan merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Sara Kruzan a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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Raxana Lamos

Raxana Lamos, a resident of New York and former resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On April 24, 1996, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Ms. Lamos to three years of probation and 15 days in jail for transporting or selling a controlled substance.

Ms. Lamos has submitted to this office a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. She has demonstrated that she is living an upright life and has demonstrated her fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. Ms. Lamos has also presented evidence that a collateral consequence of her conviction, namely, her impending deportation and permanent separation from her family and removal from her community, further justifies this exercise of executive clemency.

This act of clemency for Ms. Lamos does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Lamos, merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Raxana Lamos a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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Dana McCarroll

Dana McCarroll, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On July 18, 2001, the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, sentenced Ms. McCarroll to six years in prison for second degree burglary, receiving stolen property, and issuing false checks.

Ms. McCarroll has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On September 6, 2018, the Superior Court of California, County of Mariposa, granted Ms. McCarroll a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that she has been living an upright life. By granting Ms. McCarroll's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Ms. McCarroll be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Ms. McCarroll does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. McCarroll merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Dana McCarroll a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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PARDON

Henry Pachnowski

Henry Pachnowski, a resident of Maryland and former resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On August 24, 1967, the Superior Court of California, County of Orange, sentenced Mr. Pachnowski to three years of probation and 10 days in jail for misdemeanor solicit lewd act.

Mr. Pachnowski was convicted and sentenced pursuant to a charge commonly used, and used in this case, to punish men for engaging in consensual adult sexual conduct with other men, criminalizing them based on stigma, bias, and ignorance. With this act of executive clemency, I acknowledge the inherent injustice of the conviction.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that Mr. Pachnowski merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Henry Pachnowski a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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Royal Ramey

Royal Ramey, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On April 30, 2008, the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, sentenced Mr. Ramey to five years of probation for second degree robbery and false imprisonment. He was 17 years old at the time of this crime. On June 4, 2010, the same court sentenced Mr. Ramey to six years in prison for first degree burglary. He was 20 years old at the time of this crime.

Mr. Ramey submitted a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. He has provided evidence that he is living an upright life and has demonstrated his fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities.


Mr. Ramey's pardon application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

This act of clemency for Mr. Ramey does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Ramey merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Royal Ramey a full and unconditional pardon for the above cases.

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PARDON

John Isaac Richards

John Isaac Richards, a resident of Arkansas and former resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On December 6, 1994, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Richards to seven years in prison for second degree robbery. He was 18 years old at the time of the crime.

Mr. Richards has submitted to this office a formal application for executive clemency in the form of a gubernatorial pardon. He has provided evidence that he is living an upright life and has demonstrated his fitness for restoration of civic rights and responsibilities.

This act of clemency for Mr. Richards does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Richards merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to John Isaac Richards a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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PARDON

Tyrece Richardson

Tyrece Richardson, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On September 28, 2000, the Superior Court of California, County of Solano, sentenced Mr. Richardson to three years of probation and 180 days in jail for possession or purchase of cocaine base for sale. He was 20 years old at the time of the crime.

Mr. Richardson has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On March 5, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Solano, granted Mr. Richardson a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Richardson's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Richardson be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Richardson does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Richardson merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Tyrece Richardson a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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PARDON

Kenneth Rodriguez

Kenneth Rodriguez, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On February 14, 1980, the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, sentenced Mr. Rodriguez to three years of probation and six months in jail for possession of a controlled substance for sale. Mr. Rodriguez was 18 years old at the time of crime.

Mr. Rodriguez has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On May 3, 2018, the Superior Court of California, County of San Joaquin, granted Mr. Rodriguez a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Rodriguez's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Rodriguez be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Rodriguez does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Rodriguez merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Kenneth Rodriguez a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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PARDON

Tanya Torres

Tanya Torres, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On October 3, 1994, the Superior Court of California, County of Napa, sentenced Ms. Torres to three years of probation for possession of a controlled substance and the transport of a controlled substance.

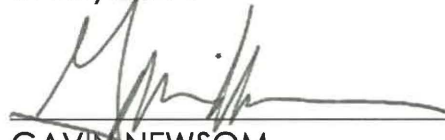
Ms. Torres has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On February 19, 2019, the Superior Court of California, County of Napa, granted Ms. Torres's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that she has been living an upright life. By granting Ms. Torres's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Ms. Torres be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Ms. Torres does not minimize or forgive her conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work she has done since to transform herself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of her sentence and good conduct in the community, Ms. Torres merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Tanya Torres a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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Manuel Vasquez

Manuel Vasquez, a resident of California, has applied for executive clemency.

On November 24, 2008, the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, sentenced Mr. Vasquez to five years in prison for attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon. Mr. Vasquez picked up his crime partner and drove him from the crime scene after his crime partner shot and injured two victims.

Mr. Vasquez has complied with the provisions of California Penal Code sections 4852.01 through 4852.22, which provide a procedure after completion of sentence to seek restoration of civic rights and responsibilities. On June 12, 2020, the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego granted Mr. Vasquez a Certificate of Rehabilitation on evidence that he has been living an upright life. By granting Mr. Vasquez's petition for a Certificate of Rehabilitation, the court has recommended that Mr. Vasquez be granted a full pardon.

This act of clemency for Mr. Vasquez does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

By the laws of this state it is proper that I, as Governor of the State of California, give testimony that, by completion of his sentence and good conduct in the community, Mr. Vasquez merits this pardon.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant to Manuel Vasquez a full and unconditional pardon for the above case.

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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Andrey Bernik

In 2006, Andrey Bernik went with his family members to confront a business associate, and the parties fought. As Mr. Bernik attempted to flee, he fired a shot from his vehicle and inadvertently struck and killed his own relative. On July 27, 2012, the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, sentenced Mr. Bernik to 20 years to life for second degree murder plus a 25-years-to-life sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 45 years to life.

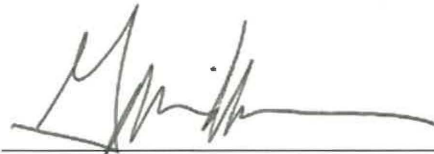
Mr. Bernik was 28 years old at the time of the crime and is now 44. He has been incarcerated for 13 years. While in prison, Mr. Bernik has dedicated himself to his self-improvement. He has engaged in self-help programming, including a dog training program, and completed vocational training. Correctional staff have commended Mr. Bernik for his humility, kindness, and deep commitment to rehabilitation.

Mr. Bernik committed a serious crime that took the victim's life. Since then, Mr. Bernik has demonstrated a commitment to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Bernik's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Bernik merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Bernik does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Andrey Bernik to a total term of 15 years to life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Kenneth Clark

In 2004, Kenneth Clark was arrested for fatally shooting the victim who had backed into Mr. Clark's vehicle in a parking lot. Mr. Clark maintains his innocence. On March 14, 2005, the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, sentenced Mr. Clark to 30 years to life for second degree murder plus a 25-years-to-life sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 55 years to life.

Mr. Clark was 33 years old at the time of the crime and is now 52. He has been incarcerated for 18 years. While in prison, Mr. Clark has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. He has participated in self-help programming, earned a GED, and completed vocational training. Correctional staff have commended Mr. Clark for his generosity, selflessness, and maturity.

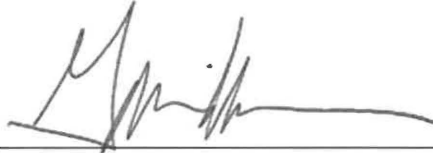
Mr. Clark's commutation application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

Mr. Clark was convicted of a serious crime that took the victim's life. Since then, Mr. Clark has dedicated himself to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Clark's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Clark merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Clark does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Kenneth Clark to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Eric Cowan

In 1997 and 1998, Eric Cowan and his crime partners committed a series of armed robberies. No one was injured during the crimes. On March 26, 1999, the Superior Court of California, County of San Diego, sentenced Mr. Cowan to 100 years to life for four counts of robbery, 25 years to life for attempted robbery, plus 15 years of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 140 years to life.

Mr. Cowan was 35 and 36 years old at the time of the crimes and is now 60. He has been incarcerated for 24 years. While in prison, Mr. Cowan has dedicated himself to his self-improvement. He has engaged in self-help programming and completed vocational training.

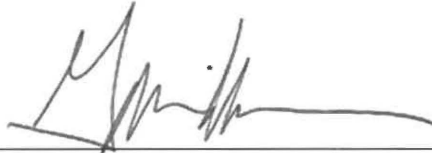
Mr. Cowan's commutation application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

Mr. Cowan committed serious crimes. Since then, Mr. Cowan has demonstrated a commitment to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Cowan's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Cowan merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Cowan does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Eric Cowan to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Howard Ford

In 1980, Howard Ford fatally shot the victim during a robbery. On December 17, 1980, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Ford to life without the possibility of parole for murder, nine years for five counts of robbery, plus a two-year sentence enhancement.

Mr. Ford was 25 years old at the time of the crime and is now 78. He has been incarcerated for 42 years. While serving a sentence with no hope of release, Mr. Ford has worked hard to better himself. Mr. Ford resided on an honor yard for 20 years. He has maintained a good disciplinary record and has engaged in self-help programming.

Mr. Ford's commutation application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants convicted of more than one felony.

Mr. Ford committed a serious crime that took the life of the victim. Since then, Mr. Ford has demonstrated a commitment to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Ford's positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, his mobility restrictions and medical conditions, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Ford merits an opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Ford does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Howard Ford to 42 years to life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Jose Garcia

In 1986, Jose Garcia and his crime partners kidnapped two victims who owed them money, held them for ransom, and beat them. On April 26, 1988, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Garcia to life without the possibility of parole for kidnapping for ransom, five years for kidnapping, plus four years of sentence enhancements.

Mr. Garcia was 33 years old at the time of the crime and is now 69. He has been incarcerated for 35 years. Mr. Garcia has expressed sincere remorse for his actions.

While serving a sentence with no hope of release, Mr. Garcia has devoted himself to his self-improvement. Mr. Garcia has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record. He has engaged in self-help programming and extensive educational coursework. He has been commended by correctional staff for his positive attitude.

Mr. Garcia's commutation application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

Mr. Garcia committed a serious crime. Since then, Mr. Garcia has demonstrated a commitment to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Garcia's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Garcia merits the opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Garcia does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Jose Garcia to 35 years to life.

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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Darnell Green

In 1997, Darnell Green and his crime partners committed an armed robbery. No one was injured during the crime. On November 23, 1998, the Superior Court of California, County of Stanislaus, sentenced Mr. Green to 26 years for three counts of robbery, four years for two counts of attempted robbery, one year and four months for participation in a street gang, plus 14 years and four months of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 45 years and eight months.

Mr. Green was 27 years old at the time of the crime and is now 51. He has been incarcerated for 24 years. While in prison, Mr. Green has worked hard to better himself. Mr. Green earned his GED, has participated in significant self-help programming, and has completed college courses. Mr. Green has been commended by prison staff for being responsible, trustworthy, and diligent.

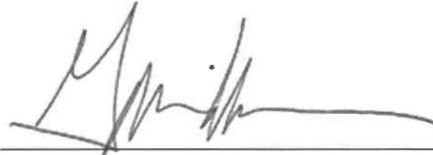
Mr. Green's commutation application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

Mr. Green committed a serious crime. Since then, Mr. Green has dedicated himself to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Green's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Green merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Green does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Darnell Green to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Michael Holmes

In 2005, Michael Holmes robbed a corner market. On April 30, 2007, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Holmes to 25 years to life for robbery.

Mr. Holmes was 48 years old at the time of the crime and is now 65. He has been incarcerated for 17 years. While in prison, Mr. Holmes has devoted himself to his rehabilitation. He has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record, participated in self-help programming, and earned a vocation. Mr. Holmes has completed training to serve as a substance abuse counselor and is currently enrolled in a computer coding program.

Mr. Holmes's application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

Mr. Holmes committed a serious crime. Since then, Mr. Holmes has dedicated himself to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Holmes's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Holmes merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Holmes does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Michael Holmes to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Frank Howard

In 2010, Frank Howard fatally shot the victim during a confrontation. On May 21, 2012, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Howard to 15 years to life for second degree murder plus a 25-years-to-life sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 40 years to life.

Mr. Howard was 48 years old at the time of the crime and is now 61. He has been incarcerated for 12 years. Mr. Howard has expressed sincere remorse for his actions.

While in prison, Mr. Howard has devoted himself to his rehabilitation. Mr. Howard has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record and resides on an honor yard. He has engaged in self-help programming and has been commended by prison staff for being respectful and setting a positive example for others.

Mr. Howard committed a serious crime that took the victim's life. Since then, Mr. Howard has demonstrated a commitment to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Howard's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Howard merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Howard does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Frank Howard to a total term of 15 years to life.

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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Richard Mahorney

In 2006, Richard Mahorney committed a robbery. On August 9, 2007, the Superior Court of California, County of Placer, sentenced Mr. Mahorney to 25 years to life for robbery plus 15 years of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 40 years to life.

Mr. Mahorney was 45 years old at the time of the crime and is now 61. He has been incarcerated for 15 years. While in prison, Mr. Mahorney has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. Mr. Mahorney has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record. He has participated in self-help programming, completed college courses, and earned three vocations. Mr. Mahorney has been commended by correctional staff for his excellent communication skills and strong work ethic.

Mr. Mahorney's application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

Mr. Mahorney committed a serious crime. Since then, Mr. Mahorney has devoted himself to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Mahorney's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Mahorney merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Mahorney does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Richard Mahorney to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Anthony Martinez

In 2010, Anthony Martinez and his crime partner shot at, but did not strike, a rival gang member in a drive-by shooting. On June 12, 2012, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Martinez to seven years to life for attempted murder plus a 20-year sentence enhancement, a total prison term of 27 years to life.

Mr. Martinez was 26 years old at the time of the crime and is now 38. He has been incarcerated for 12 years. Mr. Martinez has expressed sincere remorse for his crime.

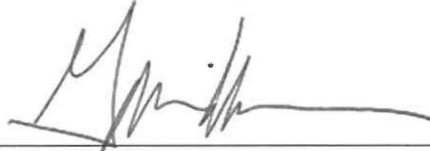
While in prison, Mr. Martinez has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. Mr. Martinez earned his GED, an associate degree, and has engaged in self-help programming. Mr. Martinez has lived on an honor yard since 2015, and has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record. He currently works as an aide to inmates with disabilities, and he has been involved in the prison's service dog training program. Mr. Martinez has been commended by prison staff for his strong communication skills, patience, emotional awareness, and rehabilitative efforts.

Mr. Martinez committed a serious crime. Since then, Mr. Martinez has demonstrated a commitment to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Martinez's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Martinez merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Martinez does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Anthony Martinez to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

James Ratliff

In 1980, James Ratliff fatally shot one victim and injured another during a burglary. On June 12, 1987, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Ratliff to life without the possibility of parole for murder, nine years for attempted murder, one year and four months for two counts of burglary, plus a three-year sentence enhancement.

Mr. Ratliff was 27 years old at the time of the crime and is now 69. He has been incarcerated for 41 years. While serving a sentence with no hope of release, Mr. Ratliff has worked hard to better himself. Mr. Ratliff has maintained an exemplary disciplinary record in prison. He lived on an honor yard and has engaged in self-help programming. Mr. Ratliff has been commended by correctional staff for his positive behavior and attitude, helpfulness, and respectfulness toward staff and his peers.

Mr. Ratliff's commutation application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

Mr. Ratliff committed a serious crime that took the victim's life and injured another. Since then, Mr. Ratliff has dedicated himself to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Ratliff's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Ratliff merits an opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Ratliff does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of James Ratliff to 41 years to life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Joshua Rosales

In 2006, Joshua Rosales cornered the victim whom his crime partner then fatally shot. On October 20, 2009, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Rosales to 15 years to life for murder plus a sentence enhancement of 25 years to life, a total prison term of 40 years to life.

Mr. Rosales was 15 years old at the time of the crime and is now 31. He has been incarcerated for 15 years. Since entering prison, Mr. Rosales has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. Mr. Rosales earned a GED and is enrolled in college courses. He has engaged in extensive self-help programming and vocational training. Mr. Rosales also contributes to his institution's Arts and Corrections Program.

Mr. Rosales committed a serious crime that ended the victim's life. Since then, Mr. Rosales has demonstrated a commitment to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Rosales's positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Rosales merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Rosales does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Joshua Rosales to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Kareem Sims

In 1996, Kareem Sims and his crime partners kidnapped the victim and beat him, then Mr. Sims fatally shot him. On December 18, 1997, the Superior Court of California, County of San Joaquin, sentenced Mr. Sims to life without the possibility of parole for murder and eight years for kidnapping, plus a ten-year sentence enhancement.

Mr. Sims was 19 years old at the time of the crime and is now 45. He has been incarcerated for 26 years. While serving a sentence with no hope of release, Mr. Sims has worked hard to better himself. Mr. Sims has participated in extensive self-help programming and volunteers in a service dog training program. He has earned his GED and multiple vocations and completed college courses. Mr. Sims has expressed sincere remorse for his crime.

Mr. Sims committed a serious crime that took the victim's life. Since then, Mr. Sims has dedicated himself to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Sims's positive conduct in prison, the fact that he was a youthful offender, and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Sims merits an opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Sims does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Kareem Sims to 26 years to life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Robert Strickland

In 1994, Robert Strickland committed one robbery and attempted to commit two more. On January 23, 1998, the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, sentenced Mr. Strickland to 50 years to life for two counts of attempted robbery, 25 years to life for robbery, plus 14 years of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 89 years to life.

Mr. Strickland was 30 years old at the time of the crimes and is now 58. He has been incarcerated for 27 years. While in prison, Mr. Strickland has devoted himself to his rehabilitation. He has participated in extensive self-help programming, earned two associate degrees, and currently works as a lead mentor for the youth offender program. Mr. Strickland has been commended by correctional staff for his leadership skills, professional integrity, willingness to help others, and communication skills.

Mr. Strickland's application was reviewed by the Board of Parole Hearings, which voted at an en banc meeting to recommend a clemency grant. The California Supreme Court also made a recommendation for a clemency grant, a process required by the California Constitution for clemency applicants who have been convicted of more than one felony.

Mr. Strickland committed serious crimes. Since then, Mr. Strickland has dedicated himself to his self-improvement and rehabilitation. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Strickland's positive conduct in prison and his good prospects for successful community reentry. I have concluded that Mr. Strickland merits an earlier opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Strickland does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to transform himself.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby commute the sentence of Robert Strickland to make him eligible for immediate parole consideration and release upon a grant of parole subject to all applicable review periods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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MEDICAL REPRIEVE OF SENTENCE

Deborah Belcher

On August 19, 1982, the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, sentenced Deborah Belcher to 25 years to life for murder plus two years of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 27 years to life.

Ms. Belcher is now 72 years old and has been incarcerated for 41 years. California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) medical staff have deemed Ms. Belcher a high medical risk.

I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Ms. Belcher's medical condition, advanced age, mobility restrictions, and other relevant case factors. I have concluded that Ms. Belcher's temporary transfer to an appropriate alternative placement in the community to continue serving her sentence is consistent with public safety and public health.

This temporary medical reprieve of sentence does not minimize or forgive Ms. Belcher's past conduct or the harm it caused.

THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of California, do hereby grant a reprieve to Deborah Belcher to make her immediately eligible to be transferred to an alternative custody placement in the community approved by the Division of Adult Parole Operations. This reprieve allowing Ms. Belcher to continue serving her sentence in the community under the supervision of CDCR is temporary and may be nullified at any time for any reason, resulting in Ms. Belcher's immediate return to CDCR custody.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 1st day of July 2022.



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