

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE

Ramelle Kamack

In 2007, Ramelle Kamack's crime partner fatally shot the victim during a gang-related incident. On February 1, 2010, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Kamack to 25 years to life for murder and 15 years to life for attempted murder, plus 42 years to life of sentence enhancements, a total prison term of 82 years to life. On February 21, 2024, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, resentenced Mr. Kamack to 25 years to life for murder plus 15 years to life for attempted murder, a total prison term of 40 years to life.

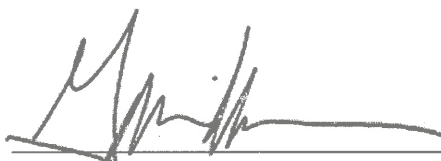
Mr. Kamack was 20 years old at the time of the crime and is now 39. He has been incarcerated for 18 years. While in prison, Mr. Kamack has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. He has engaged in extensive self-help programming, completed vocational training, and earned multiple associate degrees. He has also maintained an excellent disciplinary record. Prison staff have commended Mr. Kamack for his communication skills, work ethic, and respectfulness.

Mr. Kamack committed a serious crime that took the victim's life. Since then, Mr. Kamack has demonstrated a commitment to his rehabilitation and self-improvement. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Kamack'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. Kamack 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. Kamack 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 Ramelle Kamack to make him eligible for parole consideration during his 20th year of incarceration and release upon 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 3rd day of April 2026.



GAVIN NEWSOM
Governor of California

ATTEST:

SHIRLEY N. WEBER, PH.D.
Secretary of State

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Eugene Penesa

In 1998, Eugene Penesa fatally shot the victim and stole her property. On October 14, 1999, the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, sentenced Mr. Penesa to life without the possibility of parole for murder, life for attempted murder, six years for burglary, plus 55 years to life of sentence enhancements.

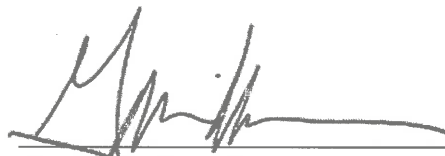
Mr. Penesa was 19 years old at the time of the crime and is now 47. He has been incarcerated for 27 years. While serving a sentence with no hope of release, Mr. Penesa has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. He has engaged in consistent self-help programming, earned his GED, and taken college courses. He currently works as a service dog trainer and volunteers in the prison's hospice unit. Prison staff have commended Mr. Penesa for his rehabilitative gains, positive influence on others, and respectfulness.

Mr. Penesa committed a serious crime that took the victim's life. Since then, he has demonstrated a commitment to his rehabilitation and self-improvement. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Penesa'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. Penesa merits the opportunity to appear before the Board of Parole Hearings so it can determine whether he is suitable for release on parole.

This act of clemency for Mr. Penesa does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to improve 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 Eugene Penesa to 27 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 3rd day of April 2026.



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Brian Porter

In 1999, Brian Porter and his crime partner kidnapped the victim at gunpoint, forced her to drive them around, and withdrew money from her bank account. The victim escaped by jumping from the car. She survived her injuries. On July 18, 2000, the Superior Court of California, County of Kern, sentenced Mr. Porter to life without the possibility for parole for kidnapping for extortion causing victim harm plus 10 years of sentence enhancements.

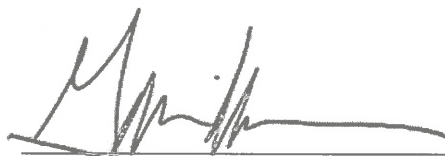
Mr. Porter was 18 years old at the time of the crime and is now 44. He has been incarcerated for 26 years. While serving a sentence with no hope of release, Mr. Porter has dedicated himself to his rehabilitation. He earned an associate degree, completed vocational training, has participated in extensive self-help programming, and currently works training service dogs. Prison staff have commended Mr. Porter for his positive attitude, work ethic, and rehabilitative gains.

Mr. Porter committed a serious crime. Since then, he has demonstrated a commitment to his rehabilitation and self-improvement. I have carefully considered and weighed the evidence of Mr. Porter'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. Porter 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. Porter does not minimize or forgive his conduct or the harm it caused. It does recognize the work he has done since to improve 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 Brian Porter 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 3rd day of April 2026.



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