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RECORD OF DECISION

IN THE MATTER OF

**FREDERICK CARREIRO
W60547**

TYPE OF HEARING: Review Hearing

DATE OF HEARING: November 30, 2021

DATE OF DECISION: June 15, 2022

PARTICIPATING BOARD MEMBERS: Gloriann Moroney, Dr. Charlene Bonner, Tonomey Coleman, Sheila Dupre, Tina Hurley, Colette Santa

STATEMENT OF THE CASE: On May 3, 1996, after a jury trial in Bristol Superior Court, Frederick Carreiro was convicted of second-degree murder in the stabbing death of 26-year-old David Thomas. Mr. Carreiro appealed his conviction. Mr. Carreiro's conviction was vacated, and a new trial was ordered.¹ On May 6, 2004, after a second jury trial, Mr. Carreiro was again convicted of the second-degree murder of Mr. Thomas. The second conviction was affirmed by the Appeals Court on January 15, 2008 and his application for further appellate review was denied.²

Mr. Carreiro appeared before the Parole Board for a review hearing on November 30, 2021, and was represented by student attorneys from Northeastern University School of Law. This was Mr. Carreiro's third appearance before the Board having been denied in 2008 and 2018. Mr. Carreiro postponed his 2013 hearing. The entire video recording of Mr. Carreiro's November 30, 2021, hearing is fully incorporated by reference to the Board's decision.

DECISION OF THE BOARD: After careful consideration of all relevant facts, including the nature of the underlying offense, the age of the inmate at the time of offense, criminal record, institutional record, the inmate's testimony at the hearing, and the views of the public as expressed at the hearing or in written submissions to the Board, we conclude that the inmate is a suitable candidate for parole.³

¹ *Commonwealth v. Carreiro*, 46 Mass. App. Ct. 1127, 710 N.E.2d 242 (1999).

² *Commonwealth v. Carreiro*, 71 Mass. App. Ct. 1104, 879 N.E.2d 138 (2008).

³ Five Board Members voted to grant parole and one Board Member voted to deny parole.

Reserve to a Department of Mental Health (DMH) structured and supervised group home upon completion of one year in minimum security. Based upon information provided from DMH in February of 2022, he was clinically approved for DMH services. This was a recommendation of the Board at his last hearing. Mr. Carreiro has served approximately 30 years. Since being diagnosed and treated for paranoid schizophrenia, his conduct has significantly improved. His last violent disciplinary infraction was in 2006, close to the time of his diagnosis. He is engaged in mental health treatment. He completed the residential treatment unit in 2013 and appears to have benefitted from the program in recent years. He now understands the importance of treatment compliance. He has been in general population since 2013 without incident and has been working and program involved. It was noted by prior expert evaluations that he would benefit from a neurological evaluation which can be arranged in the community.

The applicable standard used by the Board to assess a candidate for parole is: "Parole Board Members shall only grant a parole permit if they are of the opinion that there is a reasonable probability that, if such offender is released, the offender will live and remain at liberty without violating the law and that release is not incompatible with the welfare of society."

In forming this opinion, the Board has taken into consideration Mr. Carreiro's institutional behavior, as well as his participation in available work, educational, and treatment programs during the period of his incarceration. The Board has also considered a risk and needs assessment and whether risk reduction programs could effectively minimize Mr. Carreiro's risk of recidivism. After applying this appropriately high standard to the circumstances of Mr. Carreiro's case, the Board is of the opinion that Mr. Carreiro is rehabilitated and merits parole at this time.

Special Conditions: Reserve to approved DMH structured and supervised group home plan; Waive work – may work part-time if permitted by DMH placement; Curfew must be at home between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.; ELMO-electronic monitoring; Must take prescribed medication; Supervise for drugs; testing in accordance with agency policy; Supervise for liquor abstinence; testing in accordance with agency policy; Report to assigned MA Parole Office on day of release; No contact with victim(s) family; Must have mental health counseling for schizophrenia, unspecified personality, adjustment/transition; AA/NA at least 3 times/week; Mandatory – neurological evaluation/assessment; Mandatory – adhere to DMH case plan.

I certify that this is the decision and reasons of the Massachusetts Parole Board regarding the above referenced hearing.


Pamela Murphy, General Counsel

6/15/22
Date