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RECORD OF DECISION

IN THE MATTER OF

JASON STILES
W67004

TYPE OF HEARING: Initial Hearing

DATE OF HEARING: February 8, 2022

DATE OF DECISION: August 16, 2022

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

STATEMENT OF THE CASE: On September 8, 1999, in Plymouth Superior Court, Jason Stiles pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the death of 46-year-old Windsor Raymond. He was sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole.

Mr. Stiles appeared before the Parole Board for an initial hearing on February 8, 2022. He was not represented by counsel. This was Mr. Stiles' first appearance before the Board. Mr. Stiles twice postponed previously scheduled hearings in 2013 and 2018. The entire video recording of Mr. Stiles February 8, 2022, 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.¹

Reserve to Long Term Residential Program (LTRP) after completion of twelve months in lower security. On December 20, 1995, 23-year-old Jason Stiles and his co-defendant beat and stabbed to death Windsor Raymond. Mr. Stiles has addressed the causative factors of his crime. He has completed multiple programs to include Correctional Recovery Academy, Violence Reduction, Alternatives to Violence and Able Minds. He has obtained his General Equivalency Diploma. He has been sober since 1998 and has maintained a positive adjustment.

¹ Five Board Members voted to grant parole, and one Board Member voted to deny parole.

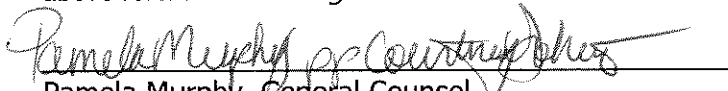
Based on his presentation, he demonstrated insight into his crime. Subject will benefit greatly from a slow transition to develop vocational skills and a community-based support network.

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. Stiles' 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. Stiles' risk of recidivism. After applying this appropriately high standard to the circumstances of Mr. Stiles' case, the Board is of the opinion that Mr. Stiles is rehabilitated and merits parole at this time.

Special Conditions: Reserve to Long Term Residential Program (LTRP) – must complete; Waive work for two weeks or program; Curfew must be at home between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.; ELMO-electronic monitoring; 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 adjustment/transition; AA/NA at least 3 times/week.

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


Pamela Murphy, General Counsel


Date