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RECORD OF DECISION

IN THE MATTER OF

RAN SREY  
W98005

**TYPE OF HEARING:** Review Hearing

**DATE OF HEARING:** March 18, 2025

**DATE OF DECISION:** July 16, 2025

**PARTICIPATING BOARD MEMBERS:** Edith J. Alexander, Dr. Charlene Bonner, Tonomey Coleman,<sup>1</sup> Sarah B. Coughlin, Tina M. Hurley,<sup>2</sup> James Kelcourse, Rafael Ortiz

**VOTE:** Parole is granted on/after 2 weeks from issuance of Decision to ICE Detainer

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY:** On February 4, 2011, in Middlesex Superior Court, Ran Srey pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree for the death of a 17-year-old-victim. He was sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole. On that same date, Mr. Srey received three concurrent 10 to 15-year sentences for armed assault with intent to kill. He was also sentenced to five years of probation for convictions of assault and battery by means of a dangerous weapon, possession of a firearm, and possession of ammunition. A conviction for discharging a firearm was placed on file. Parole was denied following an initial hearing in 2024. On March 13, 2025, Ran Srey appeared before the Board for a review hearing. He was not represented by an attorney. The Board's decision fully incorporates by reference the entire video recording of Ran Srey's March 13, 2025, hearing.

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:** On May 12, 2009, Mr. Srey (age 24), was involved in a verbal altercation with another man who sought to hide from Mr. Srey at 26 Willie Street in Lowell. Later that night, the victim was traveling in a vehicle to 26 Willie Street to watch a basketball game with two other individuals. The driver observed Mr. Srey drop his bike, lift his shirt, and pull out a chrome object, causing the driver to flee. Mr. Srey fired a gun at the vehicle, striking

<sup>1</sup> Board Member Coleman was not present for the hearing, but he reviewed the video recording of the hearing and the entirety of the file prior to vote.

<sup>2</sup> Chair Hurley participated in the vote prior to her departure from the Board.

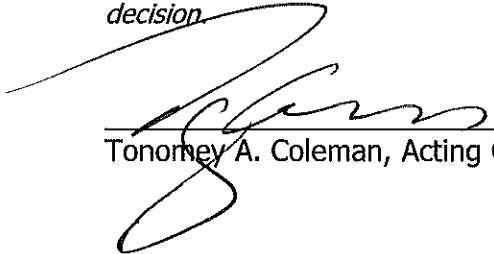
the victim, who was the front seat passenger, in the head. Her companions removed her body from the vehicle, where it was soon located by a passerby. The victim's cause of death was a .25 caliber gunshot wound to the head. A search of Mr. Srey's home revealed a bag of .25 caliber bullets. Following the murder, he secreted himself at home in Lowell and was ultimately arrested following a standoff with law enforcement.

**APPLICABLE STANDARD:** Parole "[p]ermits shall be granted only if the Board is of the opinion, after consideration of a risk and needs assessment, that there is a reasonable probability that, if the prisoner is released with appropriate conditions and community supervision, the prisoner will live and remain at liberty without violating the law and that release is not incompatible with the welfare of society." M.G.L. c. 127, § 130. In making this determination, the Board takes into consideration an inmate's institutional behavior, their participation in available work, educational, and treatment programs during the period of incarceration, and whether risk reduction programs could effectively minimize the inmate's risk of recidivism. M.G.L. c. 127, § 130. The Board also considers all relevant facts, including the nature of the underlying offense, the age of the inmate at the time of the offense, the criminal record, the institutional record, the inmate's testimony at the hearing, and the views of the public as expressed at the hearing and/or in written submissions to the Board (if applicable).

**DECISION OF THE BOARD:** This is Mr. Srey's second appearance before the Board. He has been incarcerated for approximately 16 years. Since his last hearing, Mr. Srey has completed five additional programs, thus bringing his engagement in rehabilitative programming to 35 programs. He has been disciplinary report free for over 10 years. He is employed as a houseman. He is a facilitator in the Graduate Support Continuation Program. He presented with insight into his behavior. The Board considered public testimony from Mr. Srey's family and other community members, who spoke in support of parole. The Board considered testimony from the victim's family, as well as Middlesex County ADA Adrienne Lynch, who spoke in opposition to parole. The Board concludes by unanimous decision that Ran Srey has demonstrated a level of rehabilitation that would make his release compatible with the welfare of society.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS:** Approve home plan before release; Release to other authority: ICE detainer; Waive work for 2 weeks; Electronic monitoring for 6 months only; 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; Allow contact with UTEC workers/staff; No contact with victim(s)' family; Must have mental health counseling for adjustment; Mandatory participation with UTEC, Thrive; Warrant/ICE detainer.

*I certify that this is the decision and reasons of the Massachusetts Parole Board regarding the above-referenced hearing. Pursuant to G.L. c. 127, § 130, I further certify that all voting Board Members have reviewed the applicant's entire criminal record. This signature does not indicate authorship of the decision.*

  
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Tonorney A. Coleman, Acting Chair

7/16/25  
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