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RECORD OF DECISION

IN THE MATTER OF

**REDELL PERRY
W90573**

TYPE OF HEARING: Review Hearing
DATE OF HEARING: July 10, 2025
DATE OF DECISION: November 20, 2025

PARTICIPATING BOARD MEMBERS: Edith J. Alexander, Dr. Charlene Bonner, Sarah B. Coughlin, Angelo Gomez, Jr., James Kelcourse, Rafael Ortiz¹

VOTE: Parole is denied with a review in 2 years from the date of the hearing.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY: On September 10, 2007, in Middlesex Superior Court, Redell Perry pleaded guilty to murder in the second-degree for the death of Mark Gorrie. He was sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole. On that same date, Mr. Perry also pleaded guilty to larceny over \$250, as well as breaking and entering a dwelling in the nighttime. He received sentences of 4 to 5 years for each charge, which were ordered to be served concurrently with each other and with his life sentence. Parole was denied following an initial hearing in 2020.

On July 10, 2025, Redell Perry appeared before the Board for a review hearing. He was represented by Attorney Ricardo Arroyo. The Board's decision fully incorporates by reference the entire video recording of Redell Perry's July 10, 2025, hearing.

STATEMENT OF THE CASE: On April 28, 2025, in Malden, 32-year-old Redell Perry and his co-defendant, Robert Downs, beat and killed 32-year-old Mark Gorrie. On the night of the murder, police responded to reports of a man on the ground by a dumpster and behind an apartment complex. Upon arrival, officers discovered the body of Mr. Gorrie laying face up on the ground.

¹ Board Member Bonner and Chair Gomez were not present for the hearing, but reviewed the video recording of the hearing and the entirety of the file prior to vote. Former Acting Chair Tonomey Coleman was present for the hearing, but was no longer a Board Member at the time of vote.

Severe trauma to his head and face was plainly visible. Mr. Gorrie had a gray Nike running shoe on his right foot. The left shoe was missing. Malden police officers questioned Redell Perry and his co-defendant as they exited the front of the same apartment complex.

The investigating officers learned that both Mr. Perry and the victim lived in apartments on the fourth floor. There was a trail of blood from Mr. Gorrie's body to the fourth floor, and a police dog traced the scent of his body to Mr. Perry's apartment. After Mr. Perry consented to a search, blood stains and spatter were found throughout the living room area. A blood-stained towel had been taken from the bathroom sink. Additionally, a left foot gray Nike running shoe, matching the victim's right shoe, was discovered in the apartment. Ultimately, Mr. Perry admitted to participating in the beating death of Mr. Gorrie. Stolen items from Mr. Gorrie's apartment were subsequently found in Mr. Perry's apartment.

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: Mr. Perry appeared before the Board for the second time. Since the last hearing, Mr. Perry has completed additional programming; however, he admittedly continues to struggle with substance use. Mr. Perry has a complicated mental health history that may be difficult to accurately define due to history of a head injury and substance use disorder. He is engaged with Mental Health Services and compliant with treatment. Mr. Perry requested a short setback from the Board, stating he had more work to do, specifically around his substance use. The Board recommends that he continue to work with Mental Health to address symptoms of mental illnesses he reported to the Board and develop Relapse Prevention skills. He should invest in establishing a re-entry support system and plan that would meet his ongoing needs. The Board considered testimony in opposition to parole from both Mr. Gorrie's mother and Middlesex County Assistant District Attorney Alicia Walsh. The Board concludes by unanimous decision that Redell Perry has not demonstrated a level of rehabilitation that would make his release compatible with the welfare of society.

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.


Angelo Gomez, Jr., Chair

November 20, 2025
Date