

**Louisiana Board of Pardons
Meeting Minutes**

Date: **Monday, April 12, 2021**

Recorded by: **Theresa Doan**

1. Call to Order

- a. The Chair called the meeting to order at **8:39 AM**.

2. Roll Call

- Roll call was done with 5 Member(s) present. A quorum was declared.

Chair – Sheryl Ranatza

Vice-Chair – Jim Wise

Tony Marabella

Alvin Roche'

Victor Jones

Staff members present:

John Poche Theresa Doan ----

Lea Wroten Ray Eaglin ----

Francis Abbott ---- ----

- 3. Public Comment** was allowed on request before any action item.

4. Regular Business:

- a. The minutes from the **March 22, 2021** meeting were reviewed.

Motion was made by **Mr. Roche'**, seconded by **Mr. Marabella** to accept the minutes without any corrections. Without objection, the motion passed unanimously.

- b. Clemency hearings: The Board conducted **8** clemency hearings.

5. Adjournment:

- a. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on motion by **Mrs. Ranatza** at **4:32 PM**.



John Poche, Administrative Program Director

Louisiana Board of Pardons
 Department of Corrections Headquarters
 Monday, April 12, 2021

1. Meeting call to order/roll call at: 8:39 AM
 By: Chair Sheryl M. Ranatza

| Louisiana Board of Pardons: Board Members | Present | Absent |
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| Chair - Sheryl M. Ranatza | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Vice Chair - Jim Wise | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Alvin Roche' Jr. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Victor Jones | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Anthony Marabella | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

| Exec. Session Time Out | Motion By: | Seconded By: | Time Back in Reg. Session |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| 9:30 am | Mr. Jones | Mr. Roche' | 9:31 am |
| 2:15 pm | Mr. Marabella | Mr. Jones | 2:23 pm |
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| Break | Motion By: | Seconded By: | Time Back |
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2. Regular Business:
- a.) Approval of Minutes from Monday, March 22, 2021 Hearing
 Approved by **Mr. Roche'** and seconded by **Mr. Marabella**
 - b.) Administrative Docket:
0 cases heard
 - c.) Pardon Docket:
8 cases heard

3. Adjourn:
 Motion Made by: **Mrs. Ranatza**
 Time adjourned: **4:32 PM**

BOARD OF PARDONS

Meeting date: 4/12/2021

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

I move that the Board go into Executive Session, the purpose of which is to discuss information contained in the record of each case on the morning/afternoon docket that is confidential and not subject to public disclosure.

Motion made by: Mr. Jones
seconded by: Mr. Roche

ROLL CALL VOTE:

- | YES | NO | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MR. JONES |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MR. MARABELLA |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MRS. RANATZA |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MR. ROCHE' |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MR. WISE |

The motion is:

- | APPROVED | REJECTED |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Time Out: 9:30am

Time Back: 9:31am

Theresa Blohomish
s/Recording Secretary

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Motion made by: Mr. Marabella
seconded by: Mr. Jones

ROLL CALL VOTE:

- | YES | NO | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MR. JONES |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MR. MARABELLA |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MRS. RANATZA |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MR. ROCHE' |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | MR. WISE |

The motion is:

- | APPROVED | REJECTED |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Time Out: 2:15 pm

Time Back: 2:23 pm

Theresa D. Blohowiak
s/Recording Secretary



LOUISIANA BOARD OF PARDONS

HEARING DOCKET: April 12, 2021 – 8:30 AM

**Hearing Location: LA Department of Public Safety & Corrections, Headquarters Complex
504 Mayflower Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, 225.342.5421**

| Assigned | Applicant's Name | DOC # | Request/Location | JDC/Location | Offense | Vote |
|----------|---|-------------------|-----------------------|---|---|---|
| 1. | HAMILTON, SHEILA M. | 119427 | CTO LCIW | 16 TH JDC ST. MARY | Attempted Second Degree Murder-2 counts | REMOVED |
| 2. | PORCHE, MELISSA A. | 420655 | CTO LCIW | 32 ND JDC TERREBONNE | Manslaughter | Grant 5-0 CTO IPE |
| 3. | SIMMONS, BEVERLY | 335855 | CTO LCIW | 21 ST JDC TANGIPAHOA | Armed Robbery | Grant 5-0 CTO IPE |
| 4. | TUCKER, DESSIE R. | 299274 | CTO LCIW | 24 TH JDC JEFFERSON | Second Degree Murder | Grant 4-1 CTO 99 years PE after 31 |
| 5. | BROWN, DARRYL J. | 525385 | CTO LSP | 9 TH JDC RAPIDES | Second Degree Murder | Deny 0-4 |
| 6. | CROSSLEY, ELLZEY ATTY: KEITH NORDYKE | 344739 | CTO LSP | 24 TH JDC JEFFERSON | Second Degree Murder | Grant 5-0 CTO 99 years PE after 30 |
| 7. | McCULLOUGH, RICHARD E. ATTY: KEITH NORDYKE | 574126 | CTO LSP | 22 ND JDC ST. TAMMANY | Attempted Second Degree Murder | Deny 1-3 |
| 8. | NIGHTENGALE, MATTHEW ATTY: KEITH NORDYKE | 438068 | CTO LSP | 6 TH JDC EAST CARROLL | Second Degree Murder | Deny 3-2 |
| 9. | SEALS, GLEN E. ATTY: CECILIA KAPPEL | 263204 | CTO LSP | 24TH JDC JEFFERSON | Second Degree Murder | REMOVED |
| 10. | VICKERS, KENNETH H. JR. | 376309 | CTO LSP | 13 TH JDC EVANGELINE | Manslaughter-3 counts | Deny 0-4 |
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CTO=Commutation of Sentence - PWF=Pardon with Restoration of Firearms - PWOFF=Pardon without Restoration of Firearms - Released=Not incarcerated