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**Re: Bender, Jeffrey      CDC # BE3016      Court Docket: 16FE020295**

Inmate Bender is an established felon and should not be paroled. The circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record show that he poses an unreasonable risk of violence to the community.

In 2010, Inmate Bender was convicted of felony PC 211. In that case, Inmate Bender used a firearm or a replica firearm with a co-defendant, also armed with a firearm or replica firearm, to rob two victims, one a juvenile, of money and cell phones during a small marijuana transaction. Because it was Inmate Bender's first offense, he was received a probation offer and 270 days in jail, despite the seriousness and violence exhibited in the crime.

Which leads to Inmate Bender's current committing offense, very similar conduct as in his robbery conviction. In July of 2016, the victim in the current case was attempting to purchase a vehicle from the Inmate Bender for \$1,450. It is unclear if Inmate Bender owned the vehicle he was attempting to sell. However, when the victim arrived to purchase the vehicle he handed the purchase price, \$1,450, in cash to Inmate Bender who said that he had to go to his apartment to get the vehicle title. A subject named "R [REDACTED]" stayed with the victim to ensure Inmate Bender's return. After a while, "R [REDACTED]" told the victim that he would go get the paperwork from Inmate Bender and began to walk towards the apartment complex. As he walked away, "R [REDACTED]" lifted up the back of his shirt, displaying a Glock handgun in the waistband of his pants. The victim continued to text Inmate Bender. Inmate Bender responded that he was sorry, but never came back out. The victim left after about an hour. Further, following the incident, the victim continued to text Inmate Bender in an attempt to get his money back. Instead the victim received threatening text messages from a phone number unfamiliar to him, later determined to be a computer application for text messaging. The texts told the victim to stop texting about his money or he would get shot. The victim identified Inmate Bender as the person who took his money and never returned.

This conduct is consistent with Inmate Bender's pattern of behavior in that he takes from innocent victims, money and/or goods, using the threat of violence in concert with another person.

Inmate Bender had been off felony probation [REDACTED] less than a year when he committed the crime for which he is incarcerated. Considering a firearm or firearm replica has been used in both of his felony convictions, there is every reason to expect Inmate Bender will commit additional serious and violent crimes. Providing him with a reduced prison sentence only serves to reward his conduct and further punish the victims and citizens of Sacramento County. Inmate Bender has only been in State Prison since September 2017, after receiving a sentence for 44 months. Providing Inmate Bender with a reduced sentence for theft by false pretenses with an admission of the use of a firearm after having previously been convicted of robbery would only serve to hurt the public.

In addition, while incarcerated in Sacramento County Jail on March 28, 2017, Inmate Bender went into the shower stall and engaged in a mutual fight with another inmate.

As we are given 30 days to respond, and we are not provided with any disciplinary history or any other information aside from the one page notice of parole review, I cannot comment on Inmate Bender's prison conduct. However, from the record his conduct while he was incarcerated in the Sacramento County jail shows that he continues to disrespect authority and exhibit inappropriate behavior even when facing serious criminal charges. Further it is clear that Inmate Bender should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of ongoing criminal activity, including serious and violent behavior. As Inmate Bender has been incarcerated for only 16 months, it is unreasonable to conclude that he has transformed his behavior in such a short period of time after not doing so after receiving only probation for his robbery strike and then committing another crime with a firearm. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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