

Sacramento County District Attorney's Office

ANNE MARIE SCHUBERT District Attorney

Stephen J. Grippi Chief Deputy

Michael A. Neves
Assistant District Attorney

July 1, 2016

Non-Violent Second Striker Board of Parole Hearings Correspondence-NVSS Post Box 4036 Sacramento, CA 95812-4036

RE: Saephan, Jonathan – AY9208

For those members of the Board that have just recently become acquainted with the file for Jonathan Saephan: please allow me a moment to introduce you to the Jonathan Saephan that is well known to the Sacramento Law Enforcement community.

As recently as November of 2014, it is undisputed that Inmate Saephan was actively engaged in the acts of cultivating and selling marijuana, all for the admitted purpose of benefitting the street gang KZT, of which he is a long admitted member. Inmate Saephan earned his most recent sentence when a search warrant was executed upon a house connected to the Inmate and several gang associates, inside of which a massive grow operation was located complete with about ten pounds of processed marijuana along with a loaded firearm. The investigation uncovered that the Inmate and his accomplices were paying female friends to clean and process the marijuana to prepare it for the illegal sale on the street to fund various gang activities. Inmate Saephan was convicted of possession of marijuana for sale, and as part of the plea he admitted a sentencing enhancement that he did so for the benefit of his street gang.



In March of 2006, Sacramento Police Officers came into contact with Inmate Saephan inside a residence where he was committing a residential burglary along with an accomplice, another validated gang member. Inmate Saephan was convicted of Burglary in the First Degree and was placed on felony probation.

In September 2007, the Sacramento Police Gang Unit executed a probation search at Inmate Saephan's residence. Inside of his house, officers located three separate firearms, a bullet proof vest, over eighty (8) tablets of methamphetamine (MDMA), and \$500 in case. Inmate

Saephan was convicted for possession of an illegal firearm and was sentenced to 7 years in prison. Inmate Saephan admitted committing this offense while on probation and for the benefit of his street gang, which combined with his previous strike conviction earned him an enhanced sentence to protect public safety.

Not only has Inmate Saephan shown a repeated disdain for all things law and order while present outside in the Sacramento Community, he also has shown an inability to remain violation free while in custody. During the period of his previous six year prison incarceration, a quick review of his prison history indicates approximately four apparent incidents resulting in loss of good time credits while incarcerated (2009, 2010, and twice in 2013). It bears repeating that he was on probation for residential burglary at the time that he committed his 2007 gun possession offense, landing him in prison for the above commitment.

Inmate Saephan has shown a disregard for society through his repeated criminality, and his unwillingness to conform to the expectations of society, probation, and prison. He has had second chances before, and he has rewarded the community and court system by victimizing society yet again. Put quite simply, Inmate Saephan should not be considered for early release; rather he should be kept in custody until he has served the entirety of his term of imprisonment as provided by law.

Respectfully,

Kevun Jones

Deputy District Attorney

County of Sacramento