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FUSL00003 1 STATE OF NEW YORK EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT 2 DIVISION OF PAROLE 3 In the Matter of 4 5 6 DIN# 7 NYSID# 8 INST. MARCY C.F. 9 10 11 HELD AT: Marcy Correctional Facility Marcy, New York 12 13 Parole Board Hearing 14 Tuesday, December 4, 2007 15 16 **BEFORE**: COMMISSIONER G. KEVIN LUDLOW 7 COMMISSIONER LISA ELOVICH & 17 18 19 PRESENT: DAVE BLAIR, FPO II MARK RECCHIO, FPO II DIVISION OF PAROLE 20 PHILIP SCHILLACI, FPO I RECEIVED 21 DIANA FREUND, HEARING REPORTER DEC 2 4 2007 22 23 MANCY CUMH. FACILITY 24 25

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1	BY COMMISSIONER LUDLOW:				
2	Q. You are ?				
3	A. Yes.				
4	Q. Good afternoon, sir.				
5	A. Good afternoon.				
6	Q. I'm Commissioner Ludlow. With me is Commissioner Elovich.				
7	COMMISSIONER ELOVICH: Hello.				
8	INMATE: Hello.				
9	Q. This is your second appearance before the board, sir.				
10	You're 41 years old?				
11	A. Yeah.				
12	Q. You pled to Robbery 1st, Criminal Use of a Firearm 1st,				
13	Robbery 1st, Burglary 1st, Criminal Use of a Firearm 1st,				
14	Robbery 2nd, Criminal Possession of a Weapon 2nd, Robbery 1st,				
15	Robbery 1st, Criminal Use of a Firearm 1st, Robbery 2nd, and you				
16	were found guilty by verdict to Murder 2nd, an A-1 felony and				
17	sentenced 20 to life. Aggregate term is 22 to life. Is that				
18	all correct?				
19	A. Yes.				
20	Q. Do you have any appeals pending on the Murder 2nd, or do				
21	you anticipate filing any appeals?				
22	A. No. Everything was shot down.				
23	Q. Nonetheless, I call your attention to the fact that we're				
24	taking a record, a stenographic record of the interview today.				
25	Every word we discuss is being reduced to a written transcript.				

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1	It's possible that that transcript will find its way to other					
2	public forums. We caution you about what you might say about					
3	this crime so as not to compromise or jeopardize any future					
4	opportunity you may have for an appeal. You may decline to					
5	discuss the terms and circumstances of this crime, if you wish.					
6	We will hold that against you. Do you understand that, sir?					
7	A. Yes, I do.					
8	Q. Are you maintaining your innocence as to the Murder 2nd					
9	verdict?					
10	A. Yes, I am.					
11	Q. We respect that, sir.					
12	Were you offered a plea bargain prior to trial on the					
13	Murder 2nd?					
14	A. They offered me 20 to life.					
15	Q. 20 to life. So that didn't amount to any offer, really,					
16	right?					
17	A. Yeah.					
18	Q. Offer in name only, right?					
19	A. Yeah.					
20	Q. The 20 to life is consecutive, giving you the aggregate of					
21	22 to life. You've been in a long time, sir. We recognize					
22	that. 24 years, is that right?					
23	A. Yeah.					
24	Q. Yes. You had codefendants, at least four that I can see.					
25	What we're talking about here in October of '83 is what appears					

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1	to be four armed robberies with you and at least one other					
2	accomplice, all in Brooklyn. On the fifth occasion, which					
3	occurred in February of '84, the 40-year-old victim what I					
4	assume was to be a robbery, actually was shot twice and died as					
5	a result of those wounds inflicted in the course of the robbery,					
6	is that right?					
7	A. Uh-huh.					
8	Q. You're maintaining total innocence?					
9	A. Yes.					
10	Q. Does that mean nowhere near the scene?					
11	A. I was there. I wasn't the trigger man.					
12	Q. You weren't the trigger man. Did you testify at your					
13	trial?					
14	A. No.					
15	Q. Do you think you should have?					
16	A. I made a video statement which really didn't help at all.					
17	Q. Who was the trigger man?					
18	A. No. never was he was only part of the robberies.					
19	He wasn't part of the murder.					
20	Q. Who was?					
21	A. No. None of those crimes I got there. The one that was					
22	the trigger man was never arrested.					
23	Q. Who was it?					
24	A. (Inaudible.)					
25	Q. Who?					
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2	Q. Did you testify at your trial, though?						
3	A. No, I didn't. My lawyer advised me not to.						
4	Q. What do you think now as you look back 24 years?						
5	A. I should have.						
6	Q. It would have been worth a shot.						
7	A. I would have got less time, been home by now.						
8	Q. Maybe. Maybe. What do you think of these incidents now as						
9	we look back over 24, almost 25 years? 24 years anyway.						
10	A. I should have finished school.						
11	Q. You did the robberies, though?						
12	A. Yeah, I did.						
13	Q. You should have been home in bed, too.						
14	A. I should have stayed in Puerto Rico.						
15	Q. 2:35 a.m., 7:05 a.m., 2:40 a.m.						
16	A. That was in the morning.						
17	Q. What?						
18	A. That was 2:00 in the morning.						
19	Q. Yes, that's what the facts say. Was it or wasn't it?						
20	A. To tell you the truth, I don't remember if it was that late						
21	or not.						
22	Q. These are your only felonies of record, right?						
23	A. Uh-huh. Yes.						
24	Q. Since your last board, you've worked in the commissary;						
25	you've been involved with plumbing and heating, appliance						

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1	repair; you've completed ASAT.						
2	(Nodded head.)						
3	That's to your credit. That's positive. Wait listed for						
4	ART?						
5	A. I'm in there.						
6	Q. How long have you been in it?						
7	A. Since the 19th of last month.						
8	Q. November 19th?						
9	A. Yeah.						
10	Q. That's a six-month program?						
11	A. Yes.						
12	Q. Do you think you should take ART?						
13	A. Yeah. They say I need it.						
14	Q. What do you think?						
15	A. I believe everything I need to change is done within						
16	myself.						
17	Q. You've aged?						
18	A. Yeah, I definitely did.						
19	Q. No tickets since your last board, is that right?						
20	A. Yes.						
21	Q. What about GED, have you acquired that over the last						
22	24 years?						
23	A. I tried and tried and I go up and down, up and down. I go						
24	to the top and it shoots me back down. I don't know what it is.						
25	My math (indicating).						

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1	Q. The math tripped you up?						
2	A.	. The math just (indicating). Any time I tried it, I just					
3	fall	fall back down.					
4	Q.	It's very important. We hope that you can try again. Did					
5	you	come close or not?					
6	A.	(Gesturing.)					
7	Q.	Yes? No? Close?					
8	Α.	Yeah.					
9	Q.	Q. Now, you'd actually like to go to Puerto Rico, is that					
10	rigł	it?					
11	Α.	Yes.					
12	Q.	Why Puerto Rico?					
13	A.	I feel if I stay in New York, I'm going to get in trouble.					
14	I want to go back home.						
15	Q. Why not to Brooklyn with mother?						
16	A. Once I leave to Puerto Rico, she's going to follow right						
17	behind me.						
18	Q.	She is?					
19	Α.	Yeah.					
20	Q.	We have a very nice letter from mother here. She's still					
21	out	there for you.					
22	A.	Yes. She's been there for me for the whole 24 years.					
23	Q.	We have a letter from . Am I pronouncing					
24	that right?						
25	A.						

8 1 Q. 2 Α. Uh-huh. 3 It's a very nice letter. She talks about her own 0. 4 situation, and her mother, your grandmother's situation. 5 Α. Yes. 6 She gives a list of the medicine she's on, a whole page of Ο. 7 different medications. There's another letter from 8 . We've got a certificate in appliance repair, 9 tool repair, vacuum cleaner repair, inventory clerk, appliance 10 repair. You've used your time in a productive way. 11 Α. Uh-huh. 12 0. Are you a threat to society today? 13 I don't believe so. Α. 14 The world has changed in 24 years, sir. You know that from 0. 15 watching television, I assume, and reading a newspaper, right? 16 Α. Yeah. 17 Are you prepared to go out into a different world today? 0. 18 Α. I hope so. 19 COMMISSIONER LUDLOW: Commissioner Elovich? 20 COMMISSIONER ELOVICH: No. I've listened carefully. I 21 have no questions. Thank you. 22 BY COMMISSIONER LUDLOW: 23 Q. We have a letter from -- who is ? What's the 24 first name? 25 Α. , my niece.

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	1	Q. Puerto Rico. What part of the country is that in?
	2	A. That's like around 20 or 15 minutes away from San Juan.
	3	Q. You've been there?
	4	A. I was born and raised there.
	5	Q. Were you?
	6	A. Uh-huh. I came to this country in '78.
	7	Q. There's no snow down there, is there?
	8	A. None of that. It's sunny.
	9	Q. We've tried to give you a full, fair and accurate interview
o E	10	today, sir. In your opinion, have you received that?
	11	A. I believe so.
	12	COMMISSIONER LUDLOW: Thank you, sir. We'll consider the
	13	file and the interview. We will advise you in writing.
	14	, at 41, there's a better life out there, sir.
	15	We want you to achieve it. We wish you good luck in that
	16	regard.
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1	DECISION
2	(After due deliberation by the Parole Board Panel, the
3	following Decision was rendered:)
4	Parole denied, hold 24 months. Next appearance is December
5	2009. Following a careful review and deliberation of your
6	record and interview, this panel concludes that discretionary
7	release is not presently warranted due to concern for the
8	public's safety and welfare. The following factors were
9	properly weighed and considered: Your instant offenses in
10	Brooklyn in October 1983 involved multiple armed in-concert
11	robberies. In February 1984, also in Brooklyn, you and an
12	accomplice shot a male victim, resulting in his death. Your
13	criminal history indicates the instant offenses to be your only
14	felonies of record. Your institutional programming indicates
15	some progress. You, however, have yet to complete Aggression
16	Replacement Therapy. Your disciplinary record appears clean
17	since your last board appearance. You need to continue to
18	therapeutically program. Your discretionary release at this
19	time would thus not be compatible with the welfare of society at
20	large and would tend to deprecate the seriousness of the instant
21	offenses and undermine respect for the law.
22	(Commissioner Elovich concurs.)
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FUSL00003 CERTIFICATION I, DIANA FREUND, a Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing transcript in the above-entitled matter is a true and accurate transcript, to the best of my knowledge and belief. Orara Frend DIANA FREUND DATE: December 8, 2007

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Date: 03/25/09

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Name: DIN: Nysid:

State of New York - Division of Parole

Parole Board Release Decision Notice

Facility: MARCY Interview Date: 12/04/2007 Interview Type: REAPPEAR

ME Date: LIFE CR Date: NONE Prev Hold: 24

				MIN SENT	MAX SENT	
CONTROLLING CONVICTION	N(s) A	TTEMPT	FLCL	(YY-MM)	(YY-MM)	
ROBBERY-1 >78*		NO	В	02-00	06-00	
CRM USE F/ARM1*		NO	В	02-00	06-00	
ROBBERY-1 >78*		NO	В	02-00	06-00	
BURGLARY-1>78*		NO	В	02-00	06-00	
CRM USE F/ARM1*		NO	Б	02-00	06-00	
ROBBERY-2 >78*		NO	С	02-00	06-00	
CPW-2 >78*		NO	С	02-00	06-00	
ROBBERY-1 >78*		NO	B	02-00	06-00	
ROBBERY-1 >78*	42	NO	В	02-00	06-00	
CRM USE F/ARM1*		NO	В	02-00	06-00	
ROBBERY-2 >78*		NO	С	02-00	06-00	
MURDER-2*		NO	Α	20-00	LIFE	
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Sentencing Counties: KINGS

Jail Time in Days: 0335 Prison Time in Months: 275

OFFENSE SCORE Felony Class: A Weapon Involvement: YES Forcible Contact: DEATH

PRIOR CRIMINAL HISTORY SCORE Misdemeanor Convictions: 0 THRU 2 Jail Terms: Felony Convictions: 1 Prison Terms: 0 Probation/Parole Revocations: On Probation/Parole: Guideline Ranges:

0 THRU 1 NO YES UNSPECIFIED

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Facility: MARCY Interview Date: 12/04/2007 Interview Type: REAPPEAR

Earned Eligibility Certificate : INELIGIBLE Supervision Fee: ELIGIBLE Certificate of Relief from Disability: INELIGIBLE

Parole Decision:

DENIED - HOLD FOR 24 MONTHS, NEXT APPEARANCE DATE: 12/2009

Conditions of Release/Staff Instructions/Reasons for Denial: FOLLOWING CAREFUL REVIEW AND DELIBERATION OF YOUR RECORD AND INTERVIEW, THIS PANEL CONCLUDES THAT DISCRETIONARY RELEASE IS NOT PRESENTLY WARRANTED DUE TO CONCERN FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELFARE. THE FOLLOWING FACTORS WERE PROPERLY WEIGHED AND COSNIDERED. YOUR INSTANT OFFENSES IN BROOKLYN, IN OCTOBER 1983, INVOLVED MULTIPLE ARMED IN CONCERT ROBBERIES. IN FEBRUARY 1984, ALSO IN BROOKLYN, YOU AND AN ACCOMPLICE SHOT A MALE VICTIM RESULTING IN HIS DEATH. YOUR CRIMINAL HISTORY INDICATES THE IO'S TO BE YOUR ONLY FELONIES OF RECORD. YOUR INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAMMING INDICATES SOME PROGRESS. YOU, HOWEVER, HAVE YET TO COMPLETE ART. YOUR DISCIPLINARY RECORD APPEARS CLEAN SINCE YOUR LAST BOARD APPEARANCE. YOU NEED TO CONTINUE TO THERAPEUTICALLY PROGRAM.

YOUR DISCRETIONARY RELEASE, AT THIS TIME, WOULD THUS NOT BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE WELFARE OF SOCIETY AT LARGE, AND WOULD TEND TO DEPRECATE THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE INSTANT OFFENSES, AND UNDERMINE RESPECT FOR THE LAW.

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State of New York – Division of Parole Parole Board Release Decision Notice

Name: DIN: Nysid: Facility: MARCY Interview Date: 12/04/2007 Interview Type: REAPPEAR

Comments:

FOLLOWING DELIBERATION, THIS DECISION IS BASED ON REVIEW OF THE CASE RECORD AS WELL AS THE INTERVIEW WITH PAROLE BOARD MEMBERS.

FPOII : D. BLAIR

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