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Non Violent Parole Review Process Board of Parole Hearings Correspondence - NV P.O. Box 4036 Sacramento, CA 95812-4036

Re: Oreglia, Christopher CDCR # BE1055 Court Docket: 15F07521

Agency Number: SSD-15-317252

Sentence/Sentencing Date: 10 years state prison; August 8, 2017

Dear Members of the Board of Parole:

On August 8, 2017, less than 16 months ago, Inmate Christopher Oreglia was sentenced to serve 10 years state prison for possessing for sale 1248 grams of methamphetamine and being a felon in possession of multiple firearms. It is difficult, if not impossible, to comprehend how an inmate who re-immersed himself into the dangerous game of selling narcotics and possessing dangerous weapons after having done so on two prior occasions could be so quickly rehabilitated and considered for parole when the circumstances surrounding his current conviction and his prior criminal record show that he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community and any early parole should be denied.

In Inmate Oreglia's most recent case, he was facing trial on charges of possessing for sale over 1000 grams of methamphetamine while armed, multiple counts of child endangerment, and being a felon in possession of 12 firearms (including assault weapons), a billy club, and ammunition. On August 8, 2017, Inmate Oreglia pled no contest to violating Health and Safety Code Section 11378, possession for sale of methamphetamine, and he pled no contest to 3 separate felony counts of Penal Code Section 29800, being a felon in possession of a firearm. He further admitted that he had two prior convictions for possessing methamphetamine for sale. Inmate Oreglia's most recent crimes are not minor crimes. They are inherently dangerous crimes that exposed our community to unreasonable risk of harm AND exposed his two small children to unreasonable risk of harm. This was recognized when the Court sentenced him to serve 10 years state prison.

The facts leading up to Inmate Oreglia's most recent incarceration are noteworthy. Specifically, on November 15, 2015, Inmate Oreglia was contacted during a traffic stop after he was observed late at night/early morning driving in an area of a reported hit and run accident. A records check revealed that Inmate Oreglia had a caution flag as being "armed and dangerous." A lawful search of Inmate Oreglia's truck (one of the occupants was on active PRCS parole) revealed a <u>loaded</u> .38 caliber handgun in the center console buried under other items. Inmate Oreglia also had an illegal billy club in his right front pants pocket. His possession of the .38 caliber handgun constituted a violation of Penal Code Section 29800 (felon in possession of a firearm) because he had two prior felony convictions of Health and Safety Code Section 11378 from March 23, 1998.

Following the traffic stop of Inmate Oreglia on November 15, 2015, and a subsequent anonymous call to the Sheriff Department's tip line reporting a concern of drug dealing, members of a Sacramento drug task force team set up surveillance on Inmate Oreglia's home on December 15, 2015 at 7:15am. A short time later he was observed dropping his son off at middle school approximately 5 miles away. After dropping off his son, an enforcement stop was conducted. Inmate Oreglia had his 6-7 year old daughter in the back car seat. He explained that he shared custody of his two children with his ex-wife and was en route to drop his daughter off at the nearby elementary school.

Thereafter, at approximately 8:00 a.m., Detectives executed a search warrant at Inmate Oreglia's home and began their search of his residence. No one was contacted on the property or inside. Similarly, law enforcement stated there was no evidence that a third party was living in the home with Inmate Oreglia and his children. While clearing the home, detectives discovered a handgun, ammunition, and an assault rifle. A complete search of the residence revealed throughout the home and attached garage was approximately 1,248 grams of methamphetamine, 1,922 grams of processed marijuana, 16 grams of Xanax pills, digital scales, packaging material, 13 loaded firearms (some were assault rifles), and a ballistic vest. Two of the firearms had been reported stolen to the Sacramento Police Department. None of drugs, firearms, or ammunition were in locked or secured areas.

As a result of his dangerous conduct, Inmate Oreglia was sentenced to serve 10 years state prison following his plea to numerous charges, including possessing drugs/methamphetamine for sale and being a felon in possession of numerous firearms as set forth above. His possession of methamphetamine and loaded guns alone placed society in extremely grave danger. His selfish and dangerousness didn't stop there. He harbored all of these items throughout his home and garage — none of which were locked or secured — and all of which were within the reach and access of his two young children. Selling controlled substances and possessing loaded firearms is an inherently dangerous game. Inmate Oreglia not only completely immersed himself into this dangerous game, but his possession of dangerous weapons in conjunction with such a large amount of drugs exponentially increased the probability of harm to his children and society.

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 Oreglia's prison conduct since the time he was sentenced. However, from the record that is available, it is clear that he should not be released as he poses a significant, unreasonable risk of violence to the community. Parole should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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