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**Subject: NONVIOLENT PAROLE REVIEW DECISION**

Inmate's Name : JONES, JEREMIAH, ULYSSES  
CDCR# : AR7099  
Location : Folsom State Prison  
Court Case# : 17869

The above inmate was referred to the Board of Parole Hearings under the Nonviolent Offender Parole Review Process. The board has denied the inmate for release. Enclosed is a copy of the board's decision.

If you believe the board's decision contains an error of law or error of fact, or you have new information you believe would have materially impacted the board's decision had it been known at the time of the decision, please submit a written statement to:

Board of Parole Hearings  
Attn: Nonviolent Parole Review  
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Respectfully,

BOARD OF PAROLE HEARINGS  
NV Processing Unit

# NONVIOLENT DECISION FORM

## NONVIOLENT INFORMATION

Inmate Name: JONES, JEREMIAH, ULYSSES  
CDCR Number: AR7099  
Institution: Folsom State Prison

## BPH DECISION

### JURISDICTIONAL REVIEW

BPH does not have jurisdiction, no further review.

BPH has jurisdiction.

### REVIEW ON THE MERITS

Recommendation to release approved.

Recommendation to release denied.

**Decision for Jones, Jeremiah, AR7099:** When considering together the findings on each of the inmate's four case factors, the inmate poses a current, unreasonable risk of violence or a current, unreasonable risk of significant criminal activity to the community. Release is denied.

#### **Statement of Reasons:**

#### **Case Factor #1 - Current Commitment Offense**

The circumstances of the inmate's current commitment offense(s) aggravate the inmate's current risk of violence or significant criminal activity. The inmate was sentenced to a total term of sixteen (16) years and four (4) months on the current commitment offense(s). The commitment offense(s) is/are

CONVICTION DATE: November 14, 2017

CODE / OFFENSE / SENTENCE

1. PC 273.5(f)(1) Corporal Injury on Spouse Prior w/in 7 years / 10 years
  2. PC 422 Criminal Threat to Cause GBI/Death / 1 year & 4 months consecutive
- \* PC 667(a)(1) Prior Serious Felony Conviction / 5 years consecutive

On June 27, 2017, the inmate and his girlfriend were arguing in their apartment. He slammed the door shut when the victim attempted to leave. He slammed a second door shut when the victim attempted to leave through that door. He told the victim that she could not leave, grabbed her arm, and threw her to the ground. He straddled the victim when she was on the ground and covered her nose and mouth. She almost lost consciousness three times. He would periodically release his hands and she was able to gasp a few breaths, but she almost lost consciousness. After the third time, he got off the victim, told her to "shut the fuck up," and sit in the corner. The victim obeyed the inmate because she was afraid he would kill her. He took possession of her cell phone and refused to give it back to her. The following morning, she was able to convince the inmate to let her use the bathroom at the Amtrak Depot. The victim got away and had two women help her call 9-1-1. When deputies arrived, the inmate fled, but they later caught and arrested him in his friend's vehicle. Deputies observed a large abrasion on the victim's left knee. She received this injury after the inmate threw her to the ground by the Amtrak Depot.

After careful review and consideration of the aggravating and mitigating circumstances in all of the current crimes, there are aggravating circumstance(s) in the case and the following aggravating circumstances make this an aggravating factor in the case:

There were one or more victims who suffered physical injury or threat of physical injury. The inmate threw the victim to the ground, covered her nose and mouth, causing her to almost lose consciousness. He also took her phone and did not allow her to leave the apartment. She complied with his orders because she feared for her safety. The victim also had a large abrasion on her left knee after the inmate threw her to the ground.

Therefore, the current crimes are found to be an aggravating risk factor in the case.

## **Case Factor #2 - Prior Criminal Record**

The inmate's prior criminal history began in 2012 and continued until the commitment offense(s) in 2017. The inmate's prior criminal record is a factor aggravating the inmate's current risk of violence or significant criminal activity. The inmate has the following adult criminal convictions:

### YEAR CODE / OFFENSE

2012 HS 11377(a) Possession of a Controlled Substance  
2013 PC 459 First Degree Burglary  
PC 245(a)(2) Assault with a Firearm  
PC 245(a)(1) Assault with a Deadly Weapon  
PC 69 Resisting/Deterring Officer with Threat/Violence  
PC 245(a)(4) Assault with Force Likely To Produce GBI

The circumstances of the inmate's prior criminal record that mitigate the inmate's current risk of violence or significant criminal activity are:

The inmate has not been convicted of a violent felony as defined in subdivision (c) of section 667.5 of the Penal Code in the past 15 years.

The circumstances of the inmate's prior criminal record that aggravate the inmate's current risk of violence or significant criminal activity are:

1. The inmate's prior criminal convictions coupled with his current convictions show a pattern of assaultive behavior. He has prior convictions for attacking his girlfriend, and two weeks later he was convicted of attacking his girlfriend (again), her father, and their family friend with a firearm.
2. The inmate was incarcerated for a felony conviction within five years prior to his current convictions. He was released from his last prison term on February 10, 2017, and convicted of his current offenses nine (9) months later in November of 2017.

The inmate served his last prison term for several convictions involving violent behavior. In October of 2012, the inmate put a knife to his girlfriend, told her he was going to tie her up and kill her. He tied her hands behind her back, charged at her, told her he was going to kill her, and punched her four times in the face, which resulted in a black eye and a split lip. He then filled the tub with water and told her he would drown her. He punched her ten more times in the face while her hands were still tied, grabbed her neck and choked her. She lost consciousness several times. He used a stick to hit her legs and threatened her with a knife. He held her head under water several times.

Two weeks later the inmate arrived at the same victim's residence and assaulted the victim, the victim's father, and their family friend with a firearm. He vigorously resisted arrested numerous times. The inmate stated that he was "coming down" from methamphetamine during the second instance of violence, admitted to drinking alcohol earlier, and officers smelled alcohol on his breath when they tried to arrest him.

Analysis: When balancing the aggravating circumstances against the mitigating circumstances, they tend to show that the circumstances of the inmate's prior criminal record aggravate the inmate's current risk of violence or significant criminal activity because he failed to remain free from incarceration for at least five years between his last and current prison terms and has demonstrated a pattern of assaultive behavior. He was released from his last prison term in February of 2017 and convicted of his current offenses nine months later, in November of 2017. He served eight years and four months for his prior offenses. While he does not have a statutorily-defined violent felony conviction within the past fifteen years, he has established a pattern of assaultive behavior because he has prior convictions for attacking his girlfriend, and then two weeks later attacking his girlfriend (again) along with other victims with a firearm, which is probative of his risk for violence. Further, his failure to remain free from incarceration for a lengthy period also aggravates his risk because it demonstrates that serving a lengthy prison sentence does not deter his propensity for violence.

## **Case Factor #3 - Institutional Adjustment**

The inmate was received into the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation on the current commitment offense(s) since November 28, 2017, a period of approximately five (5) years and eight (8) months.

The inmate has been involved in the following activities:

### SERIOUS RULE VIOLATIONS

- None during the current term.

## CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

- None during the current term.

## VOCATIONAL & WORK ASSIGNMENTS

- PIA Office & Administration  
June 2022 – Present (1,638 hours)  
February 2021 – June 2022 (2,522 hours)
- PIA Maintenance & Repair  
January 2020 – February 2021 (630 hours)
- Clerk  
October 2018 – December 2019 (1,623 hours)
- PIA License Plates  
March – October 2018 (884 hours)

## EDUCATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

- Literacy Student  
October 2021 – March 2022 (10 hours)
- Community College  
2019 – 2021 (Various Subjects/completed)  
2018-2019 (Various Subjects/completed)
- Visual & Performing Arts/Music Theory  
August – November 2018 (27 hours)
- Voluntary GED  
April – August 2018 (117 hours)
- Voluntary Adult Basic Education  
March – June 2018 (27 hours)

## SELF-HELP/REHABILITATIVE PROGRAMS

- Correctional Clinical Case Management (CCCMS) Level of Care  
December – January 2018 (No hours recorded.)
- Root & Rebound  
April 2023 – Present (15 hours)
- Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)  
April 2023 – Present (3 hours)  
September 2018 – June 2019 (13 hours)
- Al-Anon  
November 2022 – Present (7 hours)  
June 2018 – February 2020 (22 hours)
- PACE Life Skills  
April – October 2022 (24 hours/completed)
- Anger Management / Domestic Violence  
March 2020 – April 2022 (20 hours/completed)  
January – March 2019 (16 hours/completed)
- Criminals & Gang Members Anonymous  
October 2021 – May 2022 (1 hour)
- Narcotics Anonymous (NA)  
July 2019 – Present (34 hours)
- Faith Groups / Authentic Manhood  
June 2019 – March 2020 (56 hours/completed)
- Faith Groups / Mallati  
March 2019 – Present (108 hours)
- Celebrate Recovery  
January 2019 – Present (120 hours)

## OTHER

- June 23, 2022 – College Diploma Associates Degree
- May 20, 2023; May 12, 2023; and November 19, 2022 – Participation Chrono Poetry Challenge
- May 20, 2023 – Participation Chrono Mental Health Documentary Program
- November 15, 2022 – Laudatory Chrono for Donation to Loaves & Fishes
- June 27, 2022 – Completion Certificate Reading Blueprints
- March 14, 2022 – Completion Certificate Troubleshooting Skills
- November 19, 2021 – Participation Chrono Mallati Islami Program
- September 1, 2021 – Completion Chrono Cell Phones in Prison
- August 11, 2021 – Completion Chrono Victim Awareness (15 Lesson Correspondence Course)
- July 13, 2021 – Written Parole and Relapse Prevention Plans Submitted by the Inmate
- July 13, 2021 – Written Insight Statement Submitted by the Inmate
- June 9, 2021 – Appreciation Certificate California DMV Placards Project
- August 13, 2021 Completion Chrono Confronting Criminal Thinking (20 Lesson Correspondence Course)
- March 16, 2021 Completion Certificate Welding Principles
- October 15, 2020 Completion Certificate Insight
- June 25, 2020 Completion Certificate Domestic Violence (14 Lesson Correspondence Course)
- March 31, 2019 Participation Certificate 8th Annual Relay for Life Fundraiser
- October 4, 2018 Completion Certificate Hand Tools
- August 21, 2018 High School Equivalency Certificate
- July 3, 2018 Completion Chrono Industrial Safety & Health

The following circumstances of the inmate's institutional behavior, work history, and rehabilitative programming mitigate the inmate's current risk of violence or significant criminal activity:

1. The inmate has not been found guilty of institutional Rules Violations Reports resulting in physical injury or threat of physical injury since his last admission to prison.
2. There is no reliable information in the confidential section of the inmate's central file indicating the inmate has engaged in criminal activity since his last admission to prison.
3. The inmate has successfully participated in vocational, educational, or work assignments for a sustained period of time. He completed approximately 7,300 hours of work assignments, earning above satisfactory to exceptional Supervisor Reports, which is deemed to be substantial. The inmate also upgraded his education by earning his High School Equivalency Certificate and his Associate's Degree. Furthermore, he completed several vocational certificates. He has demonstrated a sustained participation in these areas.

The following circumstances of the inmate's institutional behavior, work history, and rehabilitative programming aggravate the inmate's current risk of violence or significant criminal activity:

The inmate has limited participation in available rehabilitative or self-help programming to address the circumstances that contributed to his criminal behavior. It is recognized that he completed programs that address Domestic Violence, Anger Management, and Substance Abuse, however, considering that he demonstrated a propensity towards violence during his current and prior commitment offenses, his participation thus far is considered to be a good start at best, and deemed to be limited thus far.

Analysis: When balancing the aggravating circumstances against the mitigating circumstances, they tend to show that the inmate's institutional behavior, work history, and rehabilitative programming aggravate the inmate's current risk of violence or significant criminal activity because he has limited participation in self-help programs. The inmate is commended for his accomplishments in the areas of education, vocation, and work programs, as he has successfully participated in each of these areas by upgrading his education, learning several trades, and committing himself to PIA work assignments, demonstrating that he has a positive work ethic that will transfer to the free community. His limited participation in self-help programs, however, weighs heavy against the mitigating circumstances because of the violent facts of his current and prior commitment offenses. He is incarcerated for attacking his girlfriend. He threw her to the ground, choked her, took her cellular phone, and prevent her from leaving their apartment. He also attacked his girlfriend during his previous offenses by punching her in the face, and then later assaulting her and two others with a firearm. He told the probation officer that he was "coming down" from methamphetamine while he committed his current crimes. While he has completed programs in the areas of Domestic Violence, Anger Management, and AA/NA (he participated in over 120 hours of 12-step Programs), the inmate has not done enough to mitigate his elevated risk for violence.

#### **Case Factor #4 - Response to Legal Notice**

The Board of Parole Hearings received responses to the legal notices regarding the inmate's nonviolent review. The following responses were reviewed and considered in this decision: There is a response to a previous review that was considered in this decision.

**SUMMARY:** When reviewing all of the case factors as documented above, and taking into account the totality of the circumstances, including the passage of time, and the inmate's age, forty-five years-old, the factors aggravating the inmate's current risk of violence outweigh the factors mitigating the inmate's current risk of violence or significant

criminal activity.

To prepare for this review, the author reviewed the Disability and Effective Communication System as well as the inmate's record to determine all physical and cognitive disabilities documented for this inmate. In reaching this decision, the author fully considered any mitigating impact of each documented disability on all of the factors considered.

The inmate's commitment offenses, prior criminal record, and his institutional adjustment aggravate his current risk for violence. He is incarcerated for attacking his girlfriend. He threw her to the ground, choked her so that she almost lost consciousness, and prevented her from leaving. His prior criminal record also aggravates his risk because he was free from his last prison term for only nine months when he committed his current crimes, which is probative of his risk for violence because he served his last prison term for violent behavior. The inmate's institutional adjustment also aggravates his risk because he has limited participation in self-help programs that address his elevated risk for violence. There are no factors that mitigate the inmate's current risk for violence. The inmate is denied for release.



July 5, 2023

**SIGNATURE**

**REVIEW DATE**

**DANG, MARY - Deputy Commissioner**

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Your request must be post marked within 30 calendar days from the date you were served this decision and your request must include a brief written statement explaining why you believe the decision is not correct. You may include additional information to support your request.