

Louisiana Board of Pardons

Meeting Minutes

Date: **Thursday, October 30, 2025**

Recorded by: **Jasmine Thompson**

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at **9:09 AM**.

2. Roll Call

A roll call was made with **5** members, and a quorum was declared.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chair – Sheryl Ranatza | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pete Fremin |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice Chair – Steve Prator | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chucky Tillis |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carolyn Stapleton | |

Staff members present:

Jalen Cavalier	Karla Williams	Chiquita McQuirter
Jasmine Thompson	Whitney Troxclair	----

3. Public Comment was allowed on request before any action item.

4. Regular Business

- a. The minutes from the **October 29, 2025** meeting were reviewed.
 - i. **Ms. Stapleton** made a motion, seconded by **Mr. Tillis**, to accept the minutes without any corrections. Without objection, the motion passed unanimously.
- b. Clemency/Pardon hearings: The Board of Pardons conducted **15** hearings.

5. Adjournment

- a. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by **Mrs. Ranatza** at **1:27 PM**.



Chiquita McQuirter, Administrative Program Manager

Louisiana Board of Pardons
Department of Public Safety & Corrections Headquarters
Thursday, October 30, 2025

1. Call to order/roll call at **9:09 AM**.

By: Chair Sheryl M. Ranatza

Board of Pardons Members	Present	Absent
Chair – Sheryl M. Ranatza	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice Chair – Steve Prator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pete Fremin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chucky Tillis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carolyn Stapleton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

EXECUTIVE SESSION(S)

Motion Made By:	Motion Seconded By:	Time Out:	Time Returned:
Mr. Prator	Mr. Tillis	11:45 AM	11:52 AM
Mr. Tillis	Mr. Fremin	1:05 PM	1:06 PM

2. Regular Business

- a. Approval of minutes from the **October 29, 2025** meeting.
Approved by **Ms. Stapleton** and seconded by **Mr. Tillis**.
- b. Pardon Docket
15 cases were heard.

3. Adjournment

Adjourned by: **Mrs. Ranatza**
Time adjourned: **1:27 PM**

BOARD OF PARDONS

Meeting date: 10.30.25

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Kaysha Francis #717310

I move that the board go into an executive session. The purpose of this is to discuss the information contained in the record of each case on the docket that is confidential and not subject to public disclosure.

Motion made by: Prator

Seconded by: Tillis

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YES NO

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MRS. RANATZA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MR. FREMIN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MR. PRATOR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MR. TILLIS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MRS. STAPLETON

The motion is:

APPROVED REJECTED

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Time Out: 11:45 am

Time Back: 11:52 am

Jasmine Thompson
Recording Secretary

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MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION: Raymond Forman #434284

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Motion made by: Tillis

Seconded by: Fremin

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YES NO

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MRS. RANATZA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MR. FREMIN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MR. PRATOR
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MR. TILLIS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MRS. STAPLETON

The motion is:

APPROVED REJECTED

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Time Out: 1:05 pm

Time Back: 1:06 pm

Jasmine Thompson
Recording Secretary

BOARD OF PARDONS & COMMITTEE ON PAROLE STATE OF LOUISIANA

JEFF M. LANDRY
GOVERNOR



SHERYL M. RANATZA
BOARD CHAIRMAN

PARDON HEARING DOCKET: October 30, 2025 – 9:00 AM

**Hearing Location: Louisiana Department of Public Safety & Corrections Headquarters
504 Mayflower Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802 (225) 342-5422**

Assigned	Applicant's Name	DOC #	Request/Location	JDC/Location	Offense	Vote
1.	ANDRY, QUIANA K.	739670	PWF Released	29 th JDC St. Charles	PWID Alprazolam	Denied 3-2
2.	BALLARD, RICHARD J.	475543	PWF Released	21 st JDC/22 nd JDC Tangipahoa/Washington	Possession of Methamphetamine; Possession of Methamphetamine	Grant 5-0 PWF
3.	BATISTE, IVY	292424	PWF Released	ORLEANS	Possession of Cocaine	Grant 5-0 PWF
4.	CRUZ, HECTOR A.	627327	PWF Released	19 th JDC East Baton Rouge	Domestic Abuse Aggravated Assault	Denied 0-5
5.	FARRAR, STEPHEN	766382	PWF Released	24 th JDC Jefferson	PWID Marijuana; Possession of Levorphanol; PWID Marijuana; Distribution of Marijuana	Denied 0-4
6.	FORMAN, RAYMOND J.	434284	PWF Released	ORLEANS	Second Degree Kidnapping	Denied 1-4
7.	HEMBY, ASHLEY N.	552628	PWF Released	22 nd JDC St. Tammany	Simple Burglary-4 Cts.	Grant 5-0 PWF
8.	KENDALL, BETHANY	623388	PWF Released	26 th JDC Bossier	Simple Robbery	Grant 4-1 PWO
9.	LOTT, GERALD M.	515366	PWF Released	4 th JDC Ouachita	Possession of Oxycodone; Violation of Protective Orders	Grant 5-0 PWF
10.	POWELL, VENNIE I.	492010	PWF Released	9 th JDC Rapides	Illegal Use of Weapons or Dangerous Instrumentalities-3 Cts.	Grant 5-0 PWF

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11.	PRICHARD, JASON W.	636029	PWF Released	26 th JDC Webster	Distribution of Schedule II	Grant 5-0 PWF
12.	WHEELER, FREDDIE J.	291925	CTO LSP	15 th JDC Acadia/Lafayette	Simple Robbery-HFC; Unauthorized Entry of an Inhabited Dwelling	Grant 4-1 99 Years w/IPE
13.	FRANCIS, KAYSHA R.	717310	CTO Ouachita Female	16 th JDC St. Mary	Manslaughter	Grant 5-0 IPE
14.	KEY, KIMBERLY N.	567936	CTO LTCW	26 th JDC Bossier	Manslaughter	Denied 1-4
15.	KENNEDY, DESMOND L.	495912	CTO SPB	17 th JDC Lafourche	Home Invasion	Grant 4-1 IPE

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