

Louisiana Board of Pardons

Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Recorded by: Jasmine Thompson

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:04 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:

Jasmine Thompson	Markell Lewis	Chiquita McQuirter
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3. **Public Comment** was allowed on request before any action item.

4. Regular Business

- a. The minutes from the February 2, 2026 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 13 hearings.

5. Adjournment

- a. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Mrs. Ranatza at 3:09 PM.

Chiquita McQuirter

Chiquita McQuirter, Administrative Program Manager

Louisiana Board of Pardons
 Department of Public Safety & Corrections Headquarters
 Tuesday, March 24, 2026

1. Call to order/roll call at **9:04 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. Fremin	Mrs. Ranatza	11:53 AM	12:05 PM

2. Regular Business
- a. Approval of minutes from the **February 2, 2026** meeting.
 Approved by **Mrs. Stapleton** and seconded by **Mr. Tillis**.
 - b. Pardon Docket
13 cases were heard.

3. Adjournment
 Adjourned by: **Mrs. Ranatza**
 Time adjourned: **3:09 PM**

BOARD OF PARDONS

Meeting date: 3/24/25

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION: Willie Bell #385817

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: Fremih

Seconded by: Ranatza

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YES NO

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| <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 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: 11:53am

Time Back: 12:04pm - 12:05pm

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: March 24, 2026 – 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.	JONES, ALLEN	740005	PWF Released	24 th JDC Jefferson	PWID Schedule I: Marijuana – 2 Cts.	Deny 2-2
2.	MENARD, TROY	164751	PWF Released	15 th JDC/24 th JDC Lafayette/Jefferson	Stalking; Simple Battery	GRANT 5-0 PWF
3.	ROMERO, TAMMY	632438	PWF Released	15 th JDC Lafayette	Negligent Homicide	Deny 2-3
4.	SHELLY, MICHAEL	315127	PWF Released	5 th JDC Richland	Possession of Alprazolam, Possession of Hydrocodone, Possession of Methamphetamines, Possession of Oxycodone	GRANT 5-0 PWF
5.	MART, TRAVIS	458902	CTO DCI	17 th JDC Lafourche	Forcible Rape	Deny 0-5
6.	FRANCIS, BURLIN	278325	CTO EHCC	15 th JDC Lafayette	Oral Sexual Battery	Deny 0-4
7.	BOOKER, JEAN	400506	CTO LCIW	ORLEANS	Second Degree Murder	Deny 1-3
8.	BELL, WILLIE Atty: Robert Lancaster	385817	CTO LSP	10 th JDC Natchitoches	Second Degree Murder	Deny 1-3
9.	JOHNSON, ELVIS	88462	CTO LSP	ORLEANS	First Degree Murder, HFC-Armed Robbery-3 cts., Aggravated Crime Against Nature, First Degree Rape, Second Degree Kidnapping, HFC-Armed Robbery, First Degree Rape, Second Degree Kidnapping, Attempted Second Degree Murder-2 cts.	Deny 0-4

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10.	JOHNSON, TERRY	292732	CTO LSP	3 rd JDC Lincoln	Aggravated Rape	Deny 0-5
11.	WINSTON, DANNY Atty: Adreayne Hutchison	456197	CTO LSP	40 th JDC St. John the Baptist	Second Degree Murder	Deny 3-2
12.	SHARIF-EL, HARUM Atty: Robert Lancaster	433521	CTO SPB	4 th JDC Ouachita	Second Degree Murder	Deny 2-3
13.	BLAKE, ANTHONY	512461	CTO Morehouse DC	26 th JDC Bossier	Manslaughter	GRANT 4-0 25 Years w/IPE

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