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COMMISSION CHAIR RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

TALLAHASSEE, FLA- Tena M. Pate, Commissioner and Chair of the Florida Commission on Offender Review (FCOR) was recently recognized with a 2015 Distinguished Alumni Award from the Florida State University College of Criminology and Criminal Justice.

Pate was one of six alumni to receive the award which recognizes and honors the numerous professional and personal achievements of FSU College of Criminology and Criminal Justice graduates. Recipients demonstrate outstanding professional accomplishments, service to the College, FSU, community and/or professional organizations, as well as embody the strength, skill, and character of Florida State University.

Serving the State of Florida and the public safety community for more than 30 years, Commissioner Pate has leveraged her extensive knowledge of the pre/post conviction and prison release process to propel the Commission forward in becoming an internationally recognized model for parole and supervision release processes and policies. Pate is also an ardent advocate for citizens who have fallen prey to crime and has played a key role in the extensive enhancement and awareness of Florida's crime victims' rights.

Commissioner Pate has served in four of Florida's gubernatorial administrations including Martinez, Chiles, MacKay and Bush and received confirmation by the Florida Senate following her appointments to the Commission by Governors Bush, Crist, Scott, and the Florida Cabinet. Pate has also been tapped for numerous positions on national and statewide public safety boards and task forces including the Florida Supreme Court's Florida Innocence Commission, the Attorney General's Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team and the Self-Inflicted Crimes Task Force.

For more information, please visit <http://criminology.fsu.edu/alumni-friends/>.

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The Florida Commission on Offender Review (FCOR) is a constitutionally authorized, quasi-judicial, decision-making body which has been serving the citizens of this state since 1941. The Commission holds offenders accountable for their behaviors and ensures public safety through its careful selection of offenders for re-entry into society by administering parole, conditional medical release, control release, conditional release, and addiction recovery release supervision. The Commission also acts as the investigative arm of the Governor and Cabinet, sitting as the Board of Executive Clemency in clemency matters. The Commission's mission is to ensure public safety and provide victim assistance through the post prison release process.