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FLORIDA PAROLE COMMISSION Monthly Accomplishments' Report January 2010

• Featured Monthly Parole Case(s):

At the **01/06/2010** Commission meeting, the Presumptive Parole Release Date of **February 10, 1999** remained **suspended (no change)** for Jeffrey Hastings, DC #039760. Mr. Hastings was convicted of **six counts** of manslaughter. These convictions were as a result of a smuggling incident involving Haitians in transit from the Bahamas resulting in the deaths of a twenty year-old mother and her five children. Mr. Hastings's next parole interview is set for **September 2011**.

At the **01/27/2010** Commission meeting, a subsequent hearing was held for Donald Misconis, DC #083862. The Commission voted to make no change to his **July 31, 2136 Presumptive Parole Release Date (PPRD).** Mr. Misconis was convicted of two counts of first degree murder and two counts of attempted murder in the first degree. Misconis attacked his next door neighbors and their friends while they were having a backyard barbeque. He shot and killed two fathers with a .22 caliber semi-automatic rifle and then shot and wounded each of their wives. This offense took place in the presence of the victims' children. Mr. Misconis's next parole interview is set for **October 2014** as the Commission found that it is not reasonable to expect that Mr. Misconis will be paroled in the foreseeable future and set his next interview for the maximum allowable period of 5 years.

Monthly Accomplishments

- As of January 1, 2010, there were 66,049 pending RCR (Restoration of Civil Rights) cases. Of these, 31,638 were application cases and 34,411 were electronic cases;
- On January 12, 2010, Julia McCall, a twenty-five year law enforcement veteran and parole examiner, was appointed Coordinator for the Board of Executive Clemency on a unanimous vote of Governor Crist and members of the Cabinet. Ms. McCall immediately assumed her new duties. Ms. McCall stressed her immediate goals for the Office of Executive Clemency (OEC) are: to improve customer service by better educating the public upon their initial contact with OEC on the current clemency process and its operation; and to evaluate and define for increased efficiencies, OEC's role and interaction with the Parole Commission;



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- Completed public hearing requirements on its **proposed rule changes** (69 rules reviewed with 29 updated) moving the process further towards adoption with;
- Worked with the <u>St. Petersburg Times</u> for 2 weeks for story on Tommy Lee Sailor, conditional release violator (notified Governor's Press Office);
- Worked with both the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office and a Miami-Dade
 Judge to expedite the handling of habeas corpus petitions in Miami-Dade
 involving the Commission;
- In December, FPC Commissioners and Senior Managers toured the Baker CI and Jacksonville Re-Entry Center facilities to view first hand DC's re-entry programs in operation. In January, FPC distributed the Department's responses to questions posed during this tour. FPC employees found the tour to be extremely informative;
- Notified the 20 Offices of the State Attorney statewide of upcoming capital felony cases for their respective circuit with a hearing scheduled before the Commission in 2010. These cases will be tracked by the Victim Services Unit;
- In January, FPC's Central Office raised funds, purchased items on soldiers' wish lists, and shipped care packages to soldiers serving in Iraq;
- Progressing with an OIT project to develop a new application to create warrants.
 The Warrants' section not only tracks and verifies warrants on behalf of the Commission, but is primary contact for initial questions, concerns, or requests as it pertains to outstanding warrants and the entry of new warrants into the system for the Commission;
- Over **5,000 documents** were prepared, input, and verified for the FPC by OPS Imaging Staff in December (info not available until January 2010);
- Participated in a DOC-sponsored Re-entry Resource Fair held January 16, 2010, in Wakulla County, providing information and taking RCR requests.