

# 2024 Presentation of the Board of Parole Commissioners

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# The Nevada Board of Parole Commissioners

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- Six members and one chairman appointed by the Governor.
  - Christopher P. DeRicco, Chairman
  - Eric Christiansen, Member
  - Mary Baker, Member
  - Lamicia Bailey, Member
  - Scott Weisenthal, Member
  - Sandy Schmitt, Member



# What is Parole?

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- ☐ Parole is the conditional release from prison.
- ☐ The Court determines the initial parole eligibility.
- ☐ Parole is an act of grace.



# What does the Parole Board do?

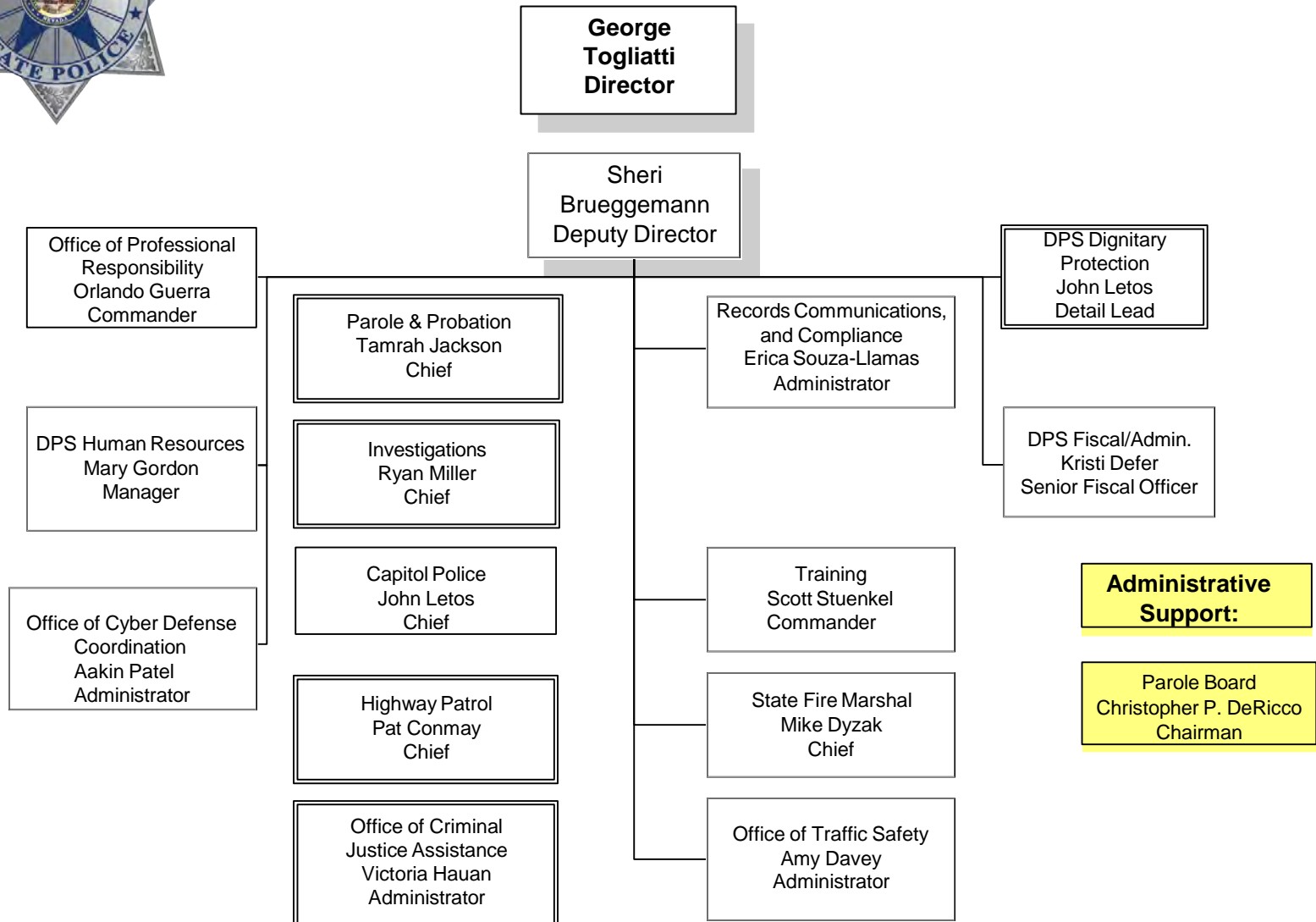
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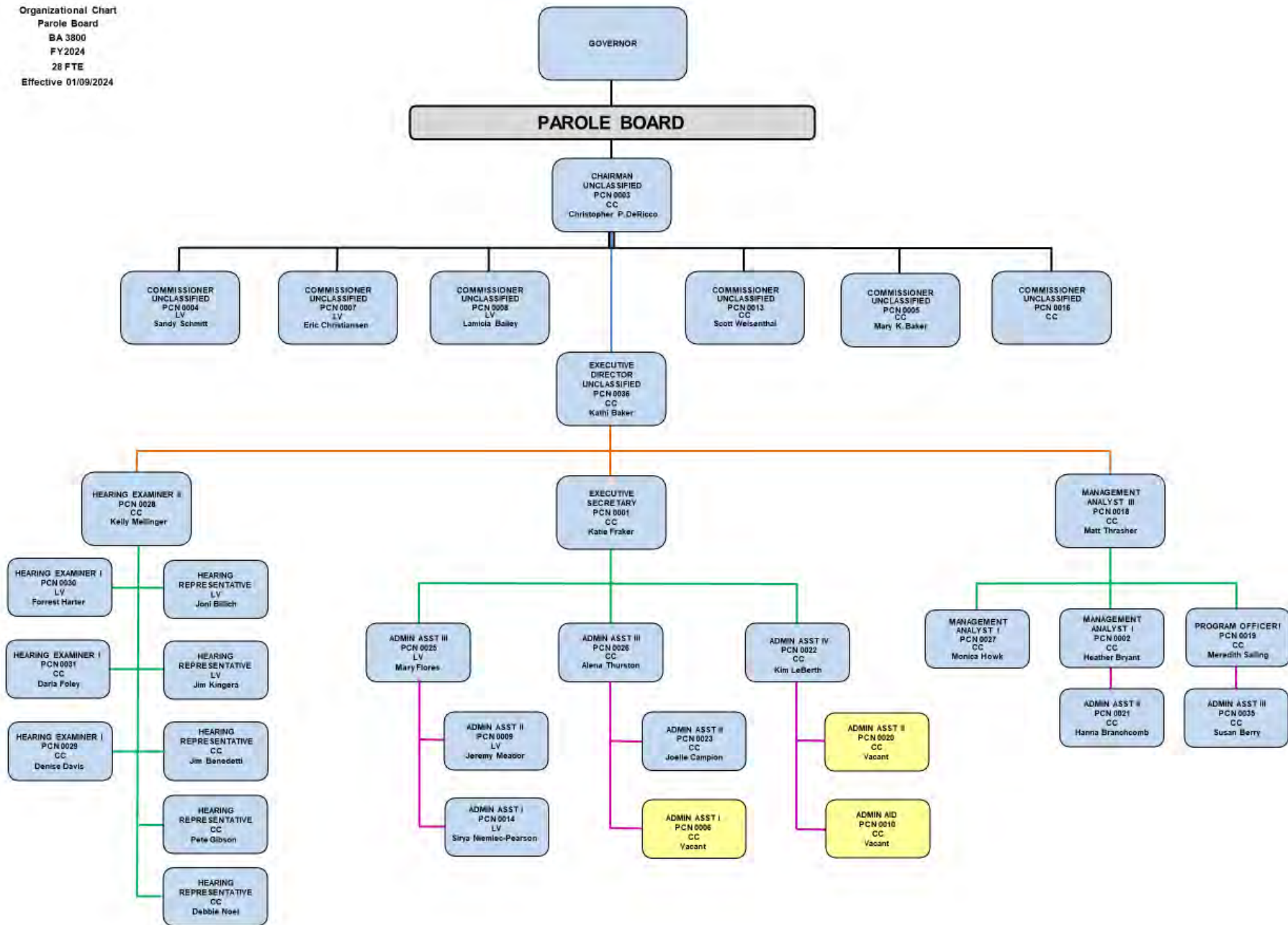
- ☐ Responsible for making decisions to either grant or deny parole.
- ☐ Return offenders to prison whenever community safety is threatened.
- ☐ Independent body.





# Public Safety Management Team





# Parole Supervision

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- ❑ Control and supervision of offenders.
- ❑ Monitoring of the offender's home, job, activities and associates.
- ❑ Drug testing & treatment, residential confinement, no contact with victims, requirement to pay restitution.



# Parole in the Judicial System

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- ☐ Legal framework that empowers judges, prison officials and parole boards.
- ☐ A flexible system for punishing offenders and protecting the public.





# Parole Hearing Types

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- ☐ Discretionary Parole Hearings.
- ☐ Mandatory Parole (MPR) Hearings.
- ☐ Geriatric Parole Hearings.
- ☐ Reconsideration Hearings.
- ☐ Parole Violation (PV) Hearings.
  - Temporary Revoke & Reinstate
- ☐ Early Discharge Hearings.
- ☐ Lifetime Supervision Hearings.



# The Nevada Parole Board

## FY2023 Caseload

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- ❑ Frequency of meetings. NRS 213.131(3), “Meetings to consider prisoners for parole may be held semiannually or more often, on such dates as may be fixed by the Board....”
- ❑ Between July 2022, and June 2023, the Board made 5,902 actionable final decisions.
- ❑ Each decision requires at least 4 votes. This equates to over 23,608 votes per year!
- ❑ When including hearings that did not result in a final parole decision, the Board held approximately 6,912 hearings in FY 2023.



# Comparison of Parole Cases by Offense Type

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FY	Sex	Violent	Drug	Property	DUI	Other	Total
<b>FY20</b>	397	1974	978	1667	219	668	5903
<b>FY21</b>	539	2240	783	1390	191	595	5738
<b>FY22</b>	416	1829	624	1193	180	579	4791
<b>FY23</b>	444	1822	509	1182	176	571	4704
<b>FY24 (6 mo.)</b>	188	861	241	606	86	324	2306

*Numbers are final discretionary and mandatory parole actions. These actions do not include parole violation hearings, continuances or hearings resulting in "no action."*



# Temporary Revocation

**FY2024**

(6 mo.)

Revoke & Reinstatement Type	Sex	Violence	Drug	Property	DUI	Other	Total
90 Day Revoke & Reinstatement	13	66	23	85	7	36	230
180 Day Revoke & Reinstatement	6	3	0	6	3	5	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>253</b>

AB32 was passed during the 82<sup>nd</sup> Legislative session removing the 30-day Revoke and Reinstatement effective July 1, 2023.



# 82nd Legislative Session Bills

## Direct Impact on Parole Board

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### ☐ AB 32

Effective July 1, 2023

- Board no longer sets supervision levels for parolees.
- Non-Technical Violations.
  - ☐ Special Sex Offender Conditions.
  - ☐ Termination of a Program.
- Technical Temporary Violation Revocations
  - ☐ 1<sup>st</sup> Temporary Revocation = 90-days.
  - ☐ 2<sup>nd</sup> Temporary Revocation = 180-days.
  - ☐ 3<sup>rd</sup> or Subsequent Temporary Violations = Full Revocation.
- Award Credits for Time Served.



# 82nd Legislative Session Bills

## Direct Impact on Parole Board (Cont.)

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### ☐ AB 462

Effective October 1, 2023

- Created Executive Director.
- Amends NRS 213.

### ☐ AB 479

Effective July 1, 2023

- Replacement of All Desktop Computers with Laptops, Update Network Equipment and Update Software Licenses.

### ☐ SB 67

Effective May 23, 2023

- Revised Definition of Sexual Offense to be Consistent with All Sections in NRS 213.
- Sexual Offense Meaning Ascribed in NRS 179D.097.





Thank You!

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