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Maryland Parole Commission

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COMMISSION MEETING
MAY 15, 2019
CENTRALIZED HIRING CONFERENCE ROOM
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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215

MINUTES
OPEN SESSION

STATE OF MARYLAND

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DAVID R. BLUMBERG
CHAIRMAN

Attendees: Chairman Blumberg; Commissioners Cluster, DeBoy, Hill, Keckler, Miller and Smack; Program Managers Christine Burke and Ruth Ogle; Assistant Attorney General Susan Baron

Absent: Commissioners Reynolds

Chairman Blumberg convened the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

- **The minutes from the May 1, 2019 open session were reviewed and approved as submitted.**
- **Office appointment policies and procedures were discussed at length. The Commission will develop an information sheet to be provided to attendees prior to visiting the office.**
- **Division of Parole and Probation administrators Cornelius Woodson and Samuel Kelly addressed the Commission:**
Home detention is an option that the Commission may use as part of the decision making process. It is available in Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll and Howard Counties as well as Baltimore City.
Offenders considered for home detention must have a viable home plan, may not have a pending charge for a crime of violence or have a medical condition that would preclude them from participating.
When conducting a revocation hearing commissioners may withhold disposition pending home detention review and acceptance. If this option is used the commissioner must explain on the record the alternative sanction if home detention is not successfully completed.
Offenders on home detention are monitored by GPS 24 hours a day 7 days a week. They are allowed to attend appointments and treatment programs.
Offenders must meet with the Division of Parole and Probation Home Detention Agent every other week.
The program has a zero tolerance rule violation policy.
- **At 10:58 a.m. under General Provisions Art. § 3-305 Chairman Blumberg made a motion to end the open session and go into a closed session to discuss personnel matters, consult with legal counsel and review cases en-banc. A vote was taken and all commissioners were in favor. The meeting will reconvene in the Parole Commission's conference room.**