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<b>ACQUITTEE</b>	<b>HEARING PURPOSE (H)/ BOARD CONFERENCE (BC)</b>	<b>HEARING OUTCOME (H) / BOARD CONFERENCE (BC)</b>	<b>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT = ✓ (R) = recused</b>
Lingxin Wu	Mandatory Review (C.G.S., Section 17a-585) and Application for Conditional Release, filed by Whiting Forensic Hospital (C.G.S., Sec. 17a-588) received May 23, 2025 <b>(H)</b>	Board approves Conditional Release.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Myles McCarthy	Mandatory Review (C.G.S., Section 17a-585) and Application for Conditional Release, filed by Whiting Forensic Hospital (C.G.S., Sec. 17a-588) received May 21, 2025 <b>(H)</b>	Board approves Conditional Release.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Benjamin Leak	Mandatory Review (C.G.S., Section 17a-585) and Application for Temporary Leave filed by Whiting Forensic Hospital (C.G.S., Sec. 17a-587) dated May 27, 2025 <b>(H)</b>	Board approves Temporary Leave with Stipulation.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Anthony Dyou	Mandatory Review (C.G.S., Section 17a-585) <b>(H)</b>	Remains confined to Dutcher Service.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Marvin Mathis	Application for Modification of Conditional Release, filed by CHR (C.G.S., Sec. 17a-591) <b>STIPULATED (H)</b>	Board approves Modification of Conditional Release to expand privileges for time spent with approved family members.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Joseph Benton	Review of Special Notice submitted by DDS dated June 16, 2025 <b>(BC)</b>	Board acknowledges Special Notice.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
<u>Joseph Benton</u> - <i>Board Deliberation from 6/13/25 Hearing</i>	Mandatory Review (C.G.S., Section 17a-585) and Revocation of Conditional Release (C.G.S., Sec. 17a-594)	Board orders confinement at Dutcher Service and terminates previously approved Conditional Release.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW

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<u>Howard Ormsbee –</u> <b><i>Board Deliberation from 6/13/25 Hearing</i></b>	Mandatory Review (C.G.S., Section 17a-585)	Remains on Conditional Release Status.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D.,ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
<u>Brandon Jones –</u> <b><i>Board Deliberation from 6/13/25 Hearing</i></b>	Applications for Modification of Conditional Release (4), filed by SMHA (C.G.S., Sec.17a-591) received April 3, 2025. Hearing occurring at request of the State’s Attorney.	Remains on Conditional Release Status. Board approves the following: 1) eliminate the requirement to attend psychosocial groups at Reliance Health, 2) to eliminate Elara Home Care Service, 3) to self-administer medication under staff supervision and 4) to obtain a drivers license.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D.,ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
<u>Aaron Ramsey –</u> <b><i>Board Deliberation from 6/13/25 Hearing</i></b>	Review of Special Report submitted by WFH dated May 20, 2025	Board accepts Report as written.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D.,ABPP (✓) Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) Ryan Flanagan, M.D. ( ) VACANT (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW