

PYSCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD HEARING MINUTES for: *October 11, 2024*

**CVH, Page Hall, Rm. 217, Middletown, CT
Vanessa Cardella, LCSW, Executive Director**

ACQUITTEE	HEARING PURPOSE (H)/ BOARD CONFERENCE (BC)	HEARING OUTCOME (H) / BOARD CONFERENCE (BC)	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT = ✓ (R) = recused
Lori Fappiano	Mandatory Review (C.G.S., Section 17a-585) and Application for Conditional Release, filed by Whiting Forensic Hospital (C.G.S., Sec. 17a-588) (H)	Board approves Conditional Release	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP () Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) John Bonetti, D.O. (✓) Renesha Nichols, DSW, LCSW (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Eugenio Vela III	Initial Commitment (C.G.S. Section 17a-583) (H)	Confined to Whiting Maximum Security	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP () Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) John Bonetti, D.O. (✓) Renesha Nichols, DSW, LCSW (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Edward Premo Jr.	Mandatory Review (C.G.S., Sec. 17a-585) and Application for Discharge (H)	Remains confined to Dutcher Service. Board recommends the Court deny discharge.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP () Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) John Bonetti, D.O. (✓) Renesha Nichols, DSW, LCSW (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Edward Garland	Mandatory Review (C.G.S., Sec. 17a-585) (H)	Remains confined to Dutcher Service.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP () Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) John Bonetti, D.O. (✓) Renesha Nichols, DSW, LCSW (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Brandon Jones	Application for Modification of Conditional Release, filed by SHMA (C.G.S., Sec.17a-591) STIPULATED (H)	Modification approved to allow Mr. Jones to increase privileges to self-administer medications.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP () Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) John Bonetti, D.O. (✓) Renesha Nichols, DSW, LCSW (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Kurt Nielson	Application for Modification of Conditional Release, filed by SMHA (C.G.S., Sec.17a-591) STIPULATED (H)	Modification approved to reduce toxicology and breathalyzer to as clinically indicated.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP () Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) John Bonetti, D.O. (✓) Renesha Nichols, DSW, LCSW (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Franklin Foster	Application for Modification of Conditional Release, filed by Greater Bridgeport Mental Health (C.G.S., Sec.17a-591) STIPULATED (H)	Board approves increase frequency of pre-planned and pre-approved visits with family.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP () Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) John Bonetti, D.O. (✓) Renesha Nichols, DSW, LCSW (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Frederick Sowell	Review of Board ordered Forensic Psychological Evaluation from Raphael Gallegos kept open from September 6, 2024 hearing (H)	Board acknowledges report.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP () Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) John Bonetti, D.O. (✓) Renesha Nichols, DSW, LCSW (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW
Frederick Sowell	Review of Special report dated 10/10/24 (BC)	Board requests a hearing on the matter.	(✓) Michael Pepper, Esq. (✓) Mark Kirschner, Ph.D., ABPP () Cheryl Abrams, M.S. (✓) John Bonetti, D.O. (✓) Renesha Nichols, DSW, LCSW (✓) Wakana Hirota, LCSW

