

STATE OF ALABAMA
BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES
MINUTE ENTRY
&
BOARD ORDER

The Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles met on this 15th day of July 2026, in an open public meeting, at which time the following Board Members were present: Hal Nash, Chair, Gabrelle Simmons, Member, and Jennifer Conway, Member.

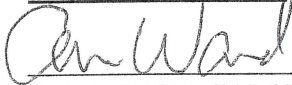
Upon recommendation of Director Cam Ward, the Board hereby votes to adopt the attached – new rules Alabama Administrative Code r. 640-X-7-.03 (Certificate of Employability) and r. 640-X-9-.07 (Revocation Reconsideration Procedures); new form Alabama Administrative Code r. 640-X-A-7 (Application for Revocation Reconsideration); amend rule Alabama Administrative Code r. 640-X-7-.02 (Certificate of Eligibility to Register to Vote); repeal and replace rule Alabama Administrative Code r. 640-X-1-.01 (Organizational); repeal and replace forms Alabama Administrative Code r. 640-X-A-1 (Application for Early Parole Consideration Hearing), r. 640-X-A-2 (Parole Guidelines), and r. 640-X-A-4 (Certificate of Eligibility to Register to Vote Application). The Board also votes to adopt the attached statement adopting proposed amendments to Alabama Administrative Code r. 640-X-9-.07.

The Board further votes to authorize Director Cam Ward to sign the Certification of Administrative Rules form certifying the proposed rule changes, and the Board orders its Legal Department to maintain a copy of the Certification, the Certified Rule, and the prior administrative regulation, and this Order.

Finally, the Board orders that the adopted rule changes and the attached statement be placed on the agency's website until the adopted rule changes become effective on October 1, 2026.

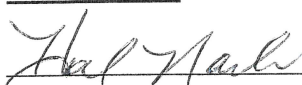
Done this 15th day of July 2026.

RECOMMENDED



DIRECTOR CAM WARD

APPROVED



HAL NASH
CHAIR



GABRELLE SIMMONS
MEMBER



JENNIFER CONWAY
MEMBER

DISAPPROVED

HAL NASH
CHAIR

GABRELLE SIMMONS
MEMBER

JENNIFER CONWAY
MEMBER

(1) The Alabama Legislature created the Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles, an agency with authority to make decisions concerning pardons, paroles, remissions, and restoration of civil and political rights and to supervise persons released to supervision in Alabama.

(2) The agency consists of:

(a) A three-member board granted certain exclusive decision-making authority and powers.

(b) A Director of Pardons and Paroles who serves as the chief executive officer of the agency and who is authorized to perform the administrative duties as provided by law.

(c) A division referred to as the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles under the authority of the director encompassing responsibilities of the agency, including administrative, supervisory, and operational activities, other than those reserved exclusively to the three-member board.

(3) The decision-making powers exclusive to the board include:

(a) The power to adopt rules, guidelines, or other policies.

(b) The power to grant or deny pardons, paroles, restoration of political and civil rights, and the remission of fines and forfeitures.

(c) The power to sanction persons paroled or released to mandatory supervision who violate conditions of their supervision.

(4) The authority and responsibilities of the director include:

(a) Appointing and supervising, subject to the provisions of the Merit System Act, all employees necessary to carry out the duties of the agency.

(b) Performing, on behalf of the agency, all fiscal and budgetary requirements imposed on the agency.

(c) Developing and implementing, on behalf of the board, all policies and procedures related to individuals under the agency's supervision.

(d) Attending, in person or by designee, all board meetings, acting as the board's secretary, and maintaining a record of the board's official actions.

(e) Recommending and promulgating rules, guidelines, and other policies for the board's consideration as necessary for the effective and efficient performance of the agency's duties.

(f) The power to act as the custodian of the agency's records.

(g) The power to maintain the agency's Administrative Code.

Author: Eric Anderson, James Walters.

Statutory Authority: Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 15-22-20, 15-22-21, 15-22-24, 15-22-37.

History: Filed September 29, 1982. **Repealed and New Rule:** Filed April 9, 2002; effective May 14, 2002. **Repealed and New Rule:** Published January 31, 2020; effective March 16, 2020. **Repealed and New Rule:** Published January 31, 2020; effective March 16, 2020. **Repealed and New Rule:** Published July 31, 2026; effective September 14, 2026, operative October 1, 2026.

(1) An individual seeking a Certificate of Eligibility to Register to Vote ("CERV") shall file an application on a form approved by the agency (Form ABPP-4). All pardon procedures established by Rule 640-X-7-.01 shall generally apply to CERV except that a CERV shall be granted within forty-four (44) days to an applicant who meets all of the following requirements as verified by the Code of Ala. 1975, Section 15-22-36.1 investigation and reporting process:

(2) The person has lost his or her right to vote by reason of conviction in a state or federal court except for a conviction for any of the following offenses: impeachment, murder, rape in any degree, sodomy in any degree, sexual abuse in any degree, incest, sexual torture, enticing a child to enter a vehicle for immoral purposes, soliciting a child by computer, production of obscene matter involving a minor, production of obscene matter, parents or guardians permitting children to engage in obscene matter, possession of obscene matter, possession with intent to distribute child pornography, or treason.

1. The person has no criminal felony charges pending against him or her in any state or federal court.

2. The person has paid all fines, court costs, fees, and victim restitution ordered by the sentencing court at the time of sentencing on disqualifying convictions.

3. Any of the following are true in the disqualifying convictions:

(a) The person has been released upon completion of sentence.

(b) The person has been pardoned.

(c) The person has successfully completed probation or parole and has been released from compliance by the ordering entity.

(3) Application for CERV shall not affect the right of any person to apply for a pardon with or without restoration of civil or political rights or remission of fine or forfeiture pursuant to Code of Ala. 1975, Section 15-22-36 or Rule 640-X-7-.01 of this Chapter.

Author: Eric Anderson, Meridith H. Barnes, Laura B. Mest, Greg Locklier

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§15-22-21, 15-22-36.1, 15-22-37.

History: New Rule: January 31, 2020; effective March 16, 2020.

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Certificate of Employability.

(1) The agency shall issue a Certificate of Employability to individuals released on parole or mandatory supervised release who meet the eligibility criteria set forth below. The certificate recognizes the individual's efforts toward successful workforce reentry and their demonstrated ability to obtain and maintain employment.

(2) To qualify for a Certificate of Employability, an inmate must meet all of the following criteria:

(a) No violent disciplinary infractions during the current term of incarceration.

(b) No disciplinary infractions of any kind within the preceding 12 months of incarceration.

(c) While in custody of ADOC, successfully completed GED, higher education, or trade school.

(d) Have an ADOC custody level of Min-Community or Min-Out and the employment must be verified as current.

(3) The following individuals are not eligible to receive a Certificate of Employability:

(a) Any individual required to register as a sex offender pursuant to Code of Ala. 1975, Chapter 20A of Title 15.

(b) Any individual convicted of a violent offense as defined in Code of Ala. 1975, Section 12-25-32.

(4) When the agency provides notice of an inmate's parole eligibility date, the agency shall include information regarding the opportunity to obtain a Certificate of Employability and the criteria required for eligibility.

(5) Prior to the board's decision on parole, or release by the Alabama Department of Corrections to mandatory supervision, the agency shall conduct an Employability Review to determine whether the inmate meets the criteria for a Certificate of Employability.

(a) If parole is granted and all criteria are satisfied, the agency shall issue the Certificate of Employability, and the issuance shall be recorded in the board's minutes.

(b) When an inmate is within one week of the eligibility date for mandatory supervised release, as determined by the Alabama Department of Corrections, and all eligibility

criteria are satisfied, the board shall be notified, and such notification shall be recorded in the board's minutes.

(c) The certificate shall be provided to the individual upon reporting to the assigned parole officer immediately following release.

(d) If the board rescinds a grant of parole prior to release, any determination to issue a Certificate of Employability shall be void.

(e) If an otherwise eligible inmate becomes ineligible prior to release—due to a disciplinary infraction, conviction of a new felony offense, or other disqualifying event—the Certificate of Employability shall be void.

(6) Upon notification that a recipient of a Certificate of Employability has been convicted of a felony offense in any jurisdiction within the United States:

(a) The board shall be notified; the Certificate of Employability shall be revoked and entered into the board's minutes.

(b) The agency shall update its records, including any public listing on its website, to reflect the revocation.

Author: Eric Anderson, Scott Perkins, James Walters.

Statutory Authority: Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 15-22-21, 15-22-24.1, 15-22-37.

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**Form ABPP-1: Application For Early Parole
Consideration Hearing.**

ABPP-1

Application for Early Parole Consideration Hearing

Inmate Name: _____

AIS#: _____

Current Hearing Date: _____

Alabama Code Section 15-22-28(f) allows the Bureau to deviate from parole consideration hearing dates in certain circumstances. To be considered for an earlier parole consideration hearing, all of the following questions must be fully answered with supporting documentation attached where required. Inmates who meet the criteria included in this form will be referred to the agency's Review Committee who may recommend an earlier parole consideration hearing date. **Meeting all requirements of this application does not guarantee any inmate an earlier parole consideration hearing.**

1. Has the inmate served a minimum of five (5) years of his or her sentence? ☐ Yes ☐ No
2. Has the inmate completed any available evidence-based risk reducing programming, as recommended by the Department of Corrections after performing a risk and needs assessment? ☐ Yes ☐ No
*If yes, documentation showing completion of programming must be attached.
3. Has inmate received an official positive report from the Department of Corrections? ☐ Yes ☐ No
*If yes, the positive report must be attached.
4. Inmate must attach letters of support from at least one of the following:
 - ☐ Office that prosecuted inmate's case
 - ☐ Victim or victim's representative
 - ☐ Alabama Attorney General's Office
 - ☐ Sentencing judge or his/her successor
 - ☐ Law enforcement official from the county of conviction
5. Has inmate received any violent disciplinarys during his or her present incarceration? ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. Has inmate received any disciplinary of any kind during the three (3) years immediately preceding this application for an earlier parole consideration date? ☐ Yes ☐ No
7. Has inmate been assessed as LOW or MEDIUM risk of potential re-offense? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown
8. Inmate must attach supporting documentation to show that he or she would have been considered for parole on an earlier date under generally applicable rules or policies in effect on or before January 1, 2019.

Name of Inmate (or other individual
submitting application on inmate's behalf)

Date

Signature of Inmate (or other individual
submitting application on inmate's behalf)

For Bureau use only. Inmate should not complete this section.

Referred to Review Committee? ☐ Yes ☐ No_____
Employee_____
Date

Applications may be submitted to the **Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles, Attention: Board Operations, 301 S. Ripley St. Montgomery, AL 36104** or emailed to **paroles@paroles.alabama.gov**. Upon completion, this document will become part of the inmate's internal parole file and will be subject to statutory privilege.

Author: Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles

Statutory Authority: Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 15-22-21, 15-22-28, 15-22-37.

History: Repealed and New Rule: Published July 31, 2026; effective September 14, 2026, operative October 1, 2026.

ABPP-2



PAROLE GUIDELINES

INMATE NAME: _____

AIS#: _____

The Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles considers relevant offender information when making parole decisions, including static and dynamic risk factors, individual factors, and stakeholder input, while applying professional judgment in each case. In addition to the offender's social and criminal history, the Board reviews the parole guidelines. The parole guidelines ensure the consistent review of certain common decisional factors for all offenders. The Baseline Score is used as an aid in conjunction with the individual file review and information provided at the parole hearing as the Board exercises its discretion to determine the offender's parole readiness.

BASELINE PAROLE WEIGHTED FACTORS

I. SEVERITY OF OFFENSE OF CONVICTION:

LOW	= +1	☐
MODERATE	= +2	☐
HIGH	= +3	☐
VERY HIGH	= +4	☐

SCORE

II. ACTUARIAL ASSESSMENTS:

RISK ASSESSMENT

SCORE: _____
 DATE ADMINISTERED: _____
 VERSION USED: _____

VERY HIGH RISK	= +5	☐
HIGH RISK	= +3	☐
MODERATE RISK	= +2	☐
LOW RISK	= +0	☐

SCORE

OR

SEX OFFENDER RISK ASSESSMENT: _____ (Indicate if N/A)

SCORE: _____
 DATE ADMINISTERED: _____
 VERSION USED: _____

VERY HIGH RISK	= +5	☐
HIGH RISK	= +3	☐
MODERATE RISK	= +2	☐
LOW RISK	= +0	☐

SCORE

III. INSTITUTIONAL BEHAVIOR:

0 DISCIPLINARIES WITHIN LAST 12 MONTHS	= +0	☐
1 OR 2 NON-VIOLENT DISCIPLINARIES WITHIN LAST 12 MONTHS	= +1	☐
3 OR MORE NON-VIOLENT DISCIPLINARIES WITHIN LAST 12 MONTHS	= +2	☐
1 DISCIPLINARY INVOLVING VIOLENCE WITHIN LAST 12 MONTHS	= +3	☐
MULTIPLE DISCIPLINARIES INVOLVING VIOLENCE WITHIN LAST 12 MONTHS	= +5	☐

SCORE

IV. PARTICIPATION IN RISK-REDUCING PROGRAMMING/TREATMENT:

COMPLETION REQUIRED PROGRAMS	= +0	☐
DEFICIENT PROGRAMMING	= +2	☐
REFUSAL/UNACCEPTABLE COMPLIANCE	= +3	☐

SCORE

V. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT WHILE INCARCERATED

COMPLETION OF GED, HIGHER EDUCATION OR TRADE	= -1	☐
EMPLOYMENT	= -1	☐

SCORE

VI. REENTRY PLAN:

COMPLETE/ACCEPTABLE REENTRY PLAN	= +0	☐
REENTRY PLAN SUBMITTED	= +1	☐
NO REENTRY PLAN	= +2	☐

SCORE

VII. STAKEHOLDER AND COMMUNITY INPUT:

SUPPORT ONLY, WITH NO OPPOSITION	= +0	☐
SUPPORT AND OPPOSITION, OR NO INPUT	= +1	☐
OPPOSITION ONLY	= +2	☐

SCORE

BASELINE PAROLE GUIDELINE TOTAL SCORE

[Note: The Baseline Parole Guideline Score establishes a "baseline" aggregate evaluation of decisional factors associated or actuarially related to risk reduction. The Board's decision is guided by the baseline score, its comprehensive review of the inmate's file, and information provided at the time of the hearing.]

Total Score

0-5 Suggests Parole Grant
6-8 Neutral
9+ Suggests Parole Denial

Under 18 at the time of offense?

☐ Yes

☐ No



GUIDELINE INSTRUCTIONS

I. SEVERITY OF OFFENSE OF CONVICTION

If serving multiple sentences, score the most severe conviction only.
Sex offenses are scored "Very High"
Felonies involving personal injury are scored "Very High"
Victim cases are scored no lower than "High"

II. ACTUARIAL ASSESSMENTS

All offenders will have an ORAS completed. Sex offenders will also have a Static 99.
The assessment with the highest score will be used. If an ORAS or Static 99 cannot be obtained, an alternate actuarial assessment may be used.

III. INSTITUTIONAL BEHAVIOR

Disciplinaries reported by the Alabama Department of Corrections (ADOC) are considered.
Only the highest point score will be used. (Scores will not be combined.)

IV. PARTICIPATION IN RISK-REDUCING PROGRAMING/TREATMENTS

Only programs and treatments ordered by the Court or the Board, or recommended by the ADOC that are risk-reducing/cognitive behavioral as defined by ADOC are scored.

If the offender has completed all programming, score a 0.
If the offender has not completed all programming, score a 2.
If the offender refused participation or was forcibly removed from the program or treatment, score a 3.

V. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT WHILE INCARCERATED

Education and employment are only considered if obtained during the present term of incarceration.

For education, the inmate must have fully completed the course and a certificate must be on file with the ADOC. Completion scores a minus 1.

For employment, the inmate must have an ADOC custody level of Min-Community or Min-Out and the employment must be verified as current. Employment scores a minus 1.

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VI. REENTRY PROGRESS

If the offender has submitted a reentry plan to include a home and work plan (and treatment plan if applicable) with supporting documentation or otherwise shown sufficient evidence of the plans, score a 0. For example, the offender provides a home address with contact name and phone number, and a letter from an employer saying that there is a job available.

If the offender has submitted an incomplete plan, score a 1. For example, the offender provides a home plan only. Or the plans lack sufficient detail to be able to verify without additional information from the offender.

If the offender has not submitted any plans or they are so lacking in detail they cannot be used, score a 2.

VII. STAKEHOLDER AND COMMUNITY INPUT

This section will be scored by the Board based on input previously submitted, and testimony received during the hearing.

If there is no opposition to parole but there is support given for the offender, score a 0. If there is both support and opposition given, or none at all, score a 1. If there is only opposition, score a 2.

[Note: If the offender committed their present offense(s) prior to the age of 18, the Board reviews whether the juvenile offender has demonstrated maturity and rehabilitation. For juvenile offenders, the Board evaluates the parole guideline factors in light of whether the offender was so young as to diminish their capacity to fully understand the seriousness and consequences of their offense or whether other relevant maturity or rehabilitative- related factors demonstrate a juvenile offender's parole readiness.]

Author: Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles

Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§ 15-22-21, 15-22-26, 15-22-37.

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**Form ABPP-4: Certificate Of Eligibility To
Register To Vote ("CERV") Application.**

ABPP-4

CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY TO REGISTER TO VOTE ("CERV") APPLICATION

(Read and follow the attached INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR A CERV before submitting this Application.)

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____
(At Time of Conviction)

CURRENT NAME (if different from above): _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____
Street or P.O. Box

City State Zip Code

Telephone#: _____ Cellular#: _____

E-mail Address: _____

RACE: _____ SEX: _____ DOB: _____

SS#: _____ AIS# (if applicable): _____

CONVICTION: STATE ☐ FEDERAL ☐ COUNTY OF CONVICTION(S): _____

YEAR(S) OF CONVICTION(S): _____

(Attach a complete list of convictions for which this CERV is requested.)

I have read the INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR A CERV and agree to the terms and conditions stated in that document.

Signature _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

ALABAMA BUREAU OF PARDONS AND PAROLES USE ONLY Application received on ____ day of _____, 20____. Tracking Number: _____ Waiver Form Received: Yes ☐ No ☐ Print Name _____ Signature _____

ALABAMA BUREAU OF PARDONS AND PAROLES

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR A CERV

Alabama law allows convicted persons to apply for a certificate of eligibility to register to vote, subject to the procedures and requirements specified by law. These procedures require the Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles to grant CERV applications if the applicant satisfies the statutory requirements put forth by Alabama Code Section 15-22-36.1.

PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH YOUR REQUEST.

1) Complete the "CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY TO REGISTER TO VOTE APPLICATION" form. The form must be submitted to the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles at the following address:

Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles
301 S. Ripley St.
Montgomery, AL 36104
Email: pardons@paroles.alabama.gov

2) No CERV investigation will be started without a signed application from the person whose conviction is at issue.

Author: Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles

Statutory Authority: Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 15-22-21, 15-22-36.1, 15-22-37.

History: Repealed and New Rule: Published July 31, 2026; effective September 14, 2026, operative October 1, 2026.

Revocation Reconsideration Procedures.

(1) Following revocation of parole or mandatory supervision, the person supervised may request reconsideration by the board.

(2) Persons seeking revocation reconsideration may ~~only~~ do so by submitting an ABPP-7 within either ~~two~~six months of:

(a) the board's order revoking supervision; or

(b) an acquittal, dismissal (with prejudice), or nolle prosequi (with prejudice and without conditions) of all criminal charges relied upon by the Board to revoke parole.

(3) Reconsideration requests submitted pursuant to section (2) (b) must include a copy of the relevant court order.

(4) Bureau staff will screen submitted applications for completeness before forwarding to the Legal Division for legal review. Staff may summarily reject incomplete or procedurally improper requests without obtaining legal review.

(5) At minimum, legal review will consist of determining if:

(a) ~~the lawfulness of~~ the sanction imposed by the board was lawful,

(b) the revocation ~~proceeding's compliance~~proceedings complied with due process requirements,

(c) ~~whether there is~~ clear and convincing evidence of innocence ~~exists~~,

(d) ~~whether~~ the parole court record contains non-hearsay evidence supporting the hearing officer's findings, and

(e) ~~whether~~ the terms of the court order and circumstances of its issuance justify reconsideration for requests submitted pursuant to (2) (b) above.

(6) The Legal Division will forward appropriate requests passing legal review together with any recommendations to the board.

(7) The board may deny or grant reconsideration requests and, when granted, order any relief it deems appropriate.

(8) Appropriate bureau staff will inform the requestor by mail of any procedural rejection or final merits decision made on the request.

(9) Nothing in this rule shall create a right, expectation, or liberty interest in having the revocation of supervision reconsidered by the board.

Author: Eric Anderson, Gary Willford, Jr., James Walters.

Statutory Authority: Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 15-22-21, 15-22-32, 15-22-37.

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ALABAMA BUREAU OF PARDONS AND PAROLES

INSTRUCTIONS ON APPLYING FOR REVOCATION RECONSIDERATION

BEFORE COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION, READ AND REVIEW THE RULES IN ALABAMA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE R. 640-X-9-.07, WHICH CAN BE FOUND ON THE AGENCY'S WEBSITE (PAROLES.ALABAMA.GOV), AND THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.

- 1) All requests for reconsideration should be submitted on the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles's Application for Reconsidering Revocation of Supervised Release form (ABPP-7). **If a requester does not submit a completed form, the agency will send them a form to be completed and submitted within a reasonable time not to exceed 1-month.**

- 2) Fill out the form completely. If you do not recall the exact date of the revocation order, you may provide an approximate date. Incomplete applications will be rejected.

State compelling reasons and, if applicable, provide documentary evidence justifying your reconsideration request. If additional space is needed, you may attach ten additional pages (not including any documentary evidence) to this application. The following are examples of reasons and evidence that do **not** warrant relief:

- Arguments that witnesses lied at the parole court hearing.
- Mitigation arguments regarding an applicant's good behavior while incarcerated or while previously under supervision.
- Disagreement with a sanction imposed if within the board's discretion.
- Disagreement with the hearing officer's factual findings where testimony or other evidence is contradictory.

- 3) If you wish for the board to consider any documentary evidence, you must attach a copy to, and submitted it with, the application. Describe, but do not attach, any non-documentary evidence (e.g., a video) **in your possession** that you can provide later if requested.
- 4) If seeking reconsideration based upon an acquittal, dismissal (with prejudice), or nolle prosequi (with prejudice and without conditions) of all criminal charges relied upon by the board in its revocation order, **you must attach a copy of the order from the court that disposed of the charges.** Charges dismissed as a result of a plea bargain in which you pled guilty to one or more reduced or different charges **do not** justify reconsideration.
- 5) Sign and date the application. **Unsigned and/or undated applications will be rejected.**
- 6) Mail the completed application and all attachments to:

Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles
Attn: Board Operations
301 South Ripley Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

To receive consideration, applications must be postmarked ***within six months*** of:

- the date of the board order revoking parole or mandatory supervision; or
- the date of the court order of acquittal, dismissal (with prejudice), or nolle prosequi (with prejudice and without conditions).

Applications rejected for being incomplete, unsigned, missing required information, or failing to comply with the Board's administrative rules, may be resubmitted as a corrected application if postmarked within the applicable 6-month time period above.

**STATE OF ALABAMA
BOARD OF PARDONS AND PAROLES**

Response to Comment Received

During the input period that ended on July 6, 2026, the Board received one comment on the proposed rule for reconsideration of parole revocation – Alabama Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07. The comment submitted requested (1) section 2 of the proposed rule be revised to prevent the automatic denial of a request that did not use Form ABPP-7 if the requester did not have access to the form, (2) section 2 of the proposed rule be revised so that the deadline to submit Form ABPP-7 is extended from two months to six months, and (3) section 5 of the proposed rule be revised to clarify that a person does not need to meet every criteria subject to the legal review. Each requested change will be addressed below.

Revise section 2 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 to prevent automatic denial for failure to use Form ABPP-7:

- *Accepted. Section 2 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 will be revised so that persons who lack access to Form ABPP-7 and did not submit a completed form will not have their request denied automatically.*

Revise section 2 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 to extend the deadline to submit Form ABPP-7 from two months to six months:

- *Accepted. Section 2 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 will be revised so that the deadline to submit Form ABPP-7 will be 6 months.*

Revise section 5 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 to clarify that the legal review does not require a person to meet all of the listed criteria:

- *Accepted. The wording in section 5 of the proposed Administrative Code 640-X-9-.07 will be revised to state that the legal review considers a non-exhaustive list of common issues – any of which could warrant relief from the Board.*

The Board adopts these changes for the following purposes: (1) to avoid automatically disqualifying requests presenting a plausible reason for the Board to reconsider its decision to revoke parole when the requester is not able to access and complete Form ABPP-7, (2) to cover potential delays in persons receiving communications regarding the revocation of parole or the adjudication of new offenses and allowing possible requesters time to review the revocation of their parole, gather materials, and complete Form ABPP-7, and (3) to avoid confusion over the legal review of requests and to clarify that the listed criteria represent a non-exhaustive list of possible reasons any of which could support reconsideration of the Board's revocation decision.