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Virgin Islands Parole Board Announces Parole Hearings for December 2026

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ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS – The Virgin Islands Parole Board advises the public that it will convene December 3–11, 2026, to conduct parole hearings for inmates incarcerated at various correctional institutions. The hearings will provide victims, family members of victims, and other interested persons an opportunity to submit testimony in support of or opposition to parole applications.

Public Participation and Testimony Deadline

Individuals wishing to provide testimony on behalf of or in opposition to an inmate's application for parole must submit written comments to the Board or notify the Board of their intention to appear and testify.

All written comments and requests to testify must be received no later than Monday, November 30, 2026.

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Parole Hearing Schedule

The following schedule identifies the correctional institution and the inmates scheduled for parole hearings.

1. Alexander A. Farrelly Criminal Justice Complex (CJC), St. Thomas

Thursday, December 3, 2026

INMATE	OFFENSE(S) / CASE NUMBER
Edward Richards	Failure to Register as a Sex Offender – Homeless; ST-2025-CR-00252
Valatina Sanchez	First Degree Assault/Domestic Violence; SX-2024-CR-53; SX-05-CR-254/SX-CR-370

2. John A. Bell Adult Correctional Facility, St. Croix

Friday, December 4, 2026

INMATE	OFFENSE(S) / CASE NUMBER
Jahmar Federick	Promoting Dangerous Prison Contraband/Cellphone; SX-2023-CR-00229
Alvin Battiste III	Obtaining Money by False Pretense; ST-2024-CR-00265
Tino Baron	Possession of Unlicensed Firearm; ST-24-CR-00096
Aubrey Frett	Second Degree Murder; ST-18-CR-208
Daryl Jean-Baptiste	Involuntary Manslaughter/Negligent Homicide by Means of a Vehicle; SX-2019-CR-00303
Ishmael Christian	Third Degree Assault/Discharging or Aiming a Firearm/Unauthorized Possession of Ammunition; SX-2024-CR-00328/SX-2024-CR-00111/SX-2022-CR-00107
Shamal Gabriel	Voluntary Manslaughter; ST-23-CR-00032
Tyler Labarrie	Second Degree Murder/Aiding and Abetting; Criminal No. ST-2020-CR-240; Criminal No. ST-2019-CR-263
Vaughn Challenger	First Degree Unlawful Sexual Contact; ST-21-CR-201

3. Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility, Mississippi

Monday, December 7 – Wednesday, December 9, 2026

INMATE	OFFENSE(S) / CASE NUMBER
Luis Fraticelli	First Degree Robbery/Promoting Dangerous Prison Contraband; SX-2021-CR-060
Shomari Ferrance	Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm; SX-2021-CR-150
Jahani Joseph	Attempted First Degree Assault; ST-17-CR-389
Santiago Oyola	Attempted Aggravated Rape First Degree; SX-11-CR-846

Craig King	Unauthorized Possession of Ammunition; ST-22-CR-00057/ST-22-CR-00208
Jahreem Lake	Unauthorized Possession of Ammunition; SX-2022-CR-00246
Gibson Charles	First Degree Aggravated Rape; Second Degree Aggravated Rape; Unlawful Sexual Contact; Child Abuse; SX-05-CR-254/SX-CR-370
Foster Webster	Discharging a Firearm; ST-2024-CR-00128
Ervin Noel Jr.	First Degree Burglary; SX-2022-CR-224
Abijah Isaac	Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm; SX-19-CR-136
Rashawn Jackson	Involuntary Manslaughter; SX-2023-CR-350
Mitchell Webber	Third Degree Assault; SX-23-CR-205
Roy Prosper	Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm; ST-23-CR-00251
Jason Felix	Third Degree Assault/Disturbance of the Peace by Fighting; SX-2025-CR-00080
Romeo Walter	Felony Possession of a Firearm; Criminal Action #2020-0039
Tahira Charles	Second Degree Murder; ST-16-CR-239
Leozardise Casanova	Second Degree Murder; SX-14-CR-451
Azamba Galloway	Second Degree Murder; ST-2023-CR-50
Tydel John	Aggravated Rape First Degree/Unlawful Sexual Contact First Degree/Child Abuse; SX-07-550
Melik Petersen	First Degree Assault; Case #3:19-CR-0060-RAM-001
Jahmir Victor	Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm/Failure to Report a Firearm; ST-22-CR-278

4. Virginia Correctional Facilities (Wallens Ridge State Prison, Keen Mountain Correctional Facility and Red Onion State Prison)

Friday, December 11, 2026

INMATE	OFFENSE(S) / CASE NUMBER
Jermaine Williams	Second Degree Murder; ST-10-CR-171
Tafari Joseph	Aggravated Rape/Principals/Third Degree Assault/Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Crime of Violence; Criminal No. 103/2002 – 54/2002
Jude Ramirez	First Degree Unlawful Sexual Contact/Aggravated Rape in the First Degree/Domestic Violence; Criminal #SX-08-CR-116
C'Quan Celestine	Attempted Murder/Unauthorized Use of a Firearm; ST-16-CR-195
Richie Fountain	Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Crime/Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of an Assault in the First Degree/Attempted Murder/Third Degree Assault/Aggravated Child Abuse/Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Crime of Violence; ST-09-CR-470/ST-09-CR-549/ST-10-CR-177/District: 3:09CR00050-G-001

Additional Information

The Virgin Islands Parole Board encourages victims, their families, and other interested individuals to participate in the parole hearing process by submitting written comments or requesting an opportunity to provide testimony before the established deadline. Timely participation ensures that the Board has the opportunity to consider relevant perspectives as it evaluates the applications for parole.

For additional information, please contact the Virgin Islands Parole Board at (340) 773-6309, Extension 6817, or via email at viparoleboard@vi.gov.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Agenda is subject to change.

Whether an inmate is eligible to apply for parole is determined by the terms of his/her sentence and the requirements of the V.I. parole statute, 5 V.I.C. §§ 4601-4606. The fact that an inmate's name may appear on the list of those deemed eligible to apply for parole does **NOT** guarantee that parole will be granted or that a parole hearing for that inmate will take place as scheduled. Even if eligible to apply for parole, no inmate may be granted parole unless he/she is recommended for parole by the Director of the Bureau of Corrections. Also, the date of an inmate's release, after being granted parole, is dependent on compliance with a number of conditions, including approval by the State Council of Interstate Compact for the Supervision of Adult Offenders when necessary. Ensuring compliance with these conditions may delay an inmate's release. This agenda is subject to change.

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