

Philander Smith College Social Justice Institute

Philander Smith College Mission Statement

To graduate academically accomplished students, grounded as advocates for social justice, determined to change the world for the better.

SJI Mission

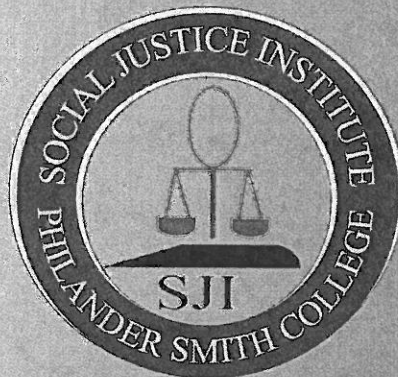
Cultivating consciousness, providing intellectual activities, and serving as a champion for social justice on campus and in the local/global community.

SJI Vision

To transform the college into a social justice institution of higher education through community engagement, student development, research and academic activities that will change the world for the better.

Core Objectives

Academics
Student Development
Research
Community Engagement



Core Values

Professionalism
Integrity
Compassion
Conscientization

"Social Justice is people equitably improving other peoples lives".

Community Engagement Partnerships

State & Local

Arkansas Baptist College
Arkansas Community Foundation
Arkansas Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty
Arkansas Department of Health
Arkansas Interfaith Alliance
Arkansas Interfaith Power & Light
Arkansas Insurance Commission
Arkansas & Lymphoma Society
Arkansas Minority Health Commission
Arkansas Conference of the United Methodist Church
Arkansas Women's Action for New Direction
Big Brother Big Sister of Central Arkansas
City of Little Rock
Clinton School of Public Service
Hearne Fine Arts Gallery
Institute on Race & Ethnicity (UALR)
Just Communities of Arkansas
Life Skills for Youth
Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site Museum
Mosaic Templars Museum
New Futures for Youth Inc
O.K. Program
United Cerebral Palsy of Arkansas
University Arkansas at Fayetteville-Education Department
University of Little Rock Bowen School of Law
Shorter College
The Women's Project
Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation

National & International

AmeriCorps-City Year
American Heart Society
American Red Cross
Environmental Protection Agency
United Methodist Church-General Board of Global Ministry
Goodwill of America
Habitat for Humanity
Heifer International
Home Depot
Human Rights Network
NAACP Legal Defense Fund
National Juvenile Justice Network
Project South
Teach for America



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JOHN FELTS
Chairman

MEMORANDUM

To: The Members of the Legislative Criminal Justice Oversight Taskforce
From: John Felts, Chairman 
Date: May 27, 2015
Re: Status of Implementing Changes to the Conditions of Release

Section 19 of Act 895 of 2015 requires that an inmate agree to submit to a warrantless search by law enforcement as a **condition of their parole or probation**. The Board was tasked with implementing a process whereby inmates will agree to submit to a warrantless search prior to their release to **parole supervision**. On Friday, May 29, 2015 the Board will consider the attached proposals to the: (1) Standard Conditions of Release and (2) the Act 679 Conditions of Release. Current state law and Board policy prevent the release of any inmate on parole who does not agree in writing to their conditions of release. If approved, these proposals will go through the normal promulgation process established in the Administrative Procedures Act.

Failure to submit to a search by a law enforcement officer would be considered a **technical violation** of the offender's parole and subject to sanctioning under ACC's Offender Violation Guide (OVG). Currently, three (3) or more OVG violations are required to trigger a request for revocation unless a deviation is approved.

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Cc: APB Commissioners
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Enclosures

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Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the present rule

Attachment 3

Arkansas Parole Board Conditions of Release

1. **REPORTS.** You must report to your supervising officer the next day after you are released unless that day is a weekend or holiday. In such cases you must report the next day the Parole Office is open. Thereafter, you must report as instructed by your supervising officer. All written and oral statements made by you to your supervising officer must be truthful.
2. **EMPLOYMENT/EDUCATION.** You must maintain approved employment or be enrolled in an approved education program unless otherwise directed. You must obtain permission from your supervising officer before quitting your employment or education program. If you lose your job or are terminated from your education program, you must notify your supervising officer within 48 hours.
3. **RESIDENCE AND TRAVEL.** You must obtain prior approval from you supervising officer to change your place of residence, stay away from your approved residence overnight, or leave your assigned county.
4. **LAWS.** You must obey all federal and state laws, local ordinances and court orders. You are required to pay all court-ordered fines, fees, and/or restitution. You must report any citations or summons to your supervising officer on the next regular workday. You must report in person following your release from an arrest, release from parole hold, and any other contact with law enforcement authorities on the next regular workday.
5. **WEAPONS.** You must not own, possess, use, pawn, sell or have under you control any firearm (or imitation) or other dangerous weapon, or be in the company of any person possessing such weapons. You must not possess any ammunition.
6. **ALCOHOL/CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.** You will avoid the excessive use of alcohol, or abstain completely if directed, and will stay out of bars, taverns, clubs, and liquor stores. You must not sell, deliver or possess, or use controlled substances except as prescribed by a physician. You will submit yourself to random testing for the use of intoxicants and/or controlled substances.
7. **ASSOCIATION.** You must not associate with convicted felons, persons who are engaged in criminal activity, or other persons with whom your supervising officer instructs you not to associate. (Association with convicted felons at work, in counseling programs, in church, or in other locations and circumstances specifically approved by the Parole Board or your supervising officer is not prohibited).
8. **SUPERVISION FEES.** You must pay a monthly supervision fee unless granted an exemption. Community service work in lieu of supervision fees may be required.
9. **COOPERATION.** You must, at all times, cooperate with your supervising officer and the Parole Board. You must submit yourself to any rehabilitative, medical, or counseling program that the Parole Board or your supervising officer deems appropriate.
10. **SEARCH AND SEIZURE.** You must submit your person and/property, place of residence, and motor vehicles to search and seizure at any time, day or night, with or without a search warrant by any Arkansas Department of Community Correction officer. You must also submit your person, place of residence, or motor vehicle to search at any time, day or night, whenever requested by any other certified law enforcement officer.
11. **WAIVER OF EXTRADITION.** Your acceptance of conditional release constitutes an agreement to waive extradition to the State of Arkansas from any jurisdiction in or outside the United States where you may be found, and you also agree that you will not contest any effort by any jurisdiction to return you to the State of Arkansas to answer a charge of violation of any of the conditions of your release.
12. **SPECIAL CONDITIONS.** The Board may set special conditions and the parolee must abide by any special conditions set by the Board, e.g., mental health, alcohol and/or drug abuse treatment program, or community service in lieu of fee exemption.

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Attachment 4

Arkansas Parole Board Act 679 Conditions of Release

(For Offenders Released under Act 679 of 2005)

- 1. EMPLOYMENT:** You must maintain approved employment to be housed in the Transitional Living Facility. You must obtain permission from the Transitional Living Facility staff before quitting your employment. Termination from employment will result in removal from the Transitional Living Facility.
- 2. RESIDENCE:** You must be physically located at the Transitional Living Facility at all times unless you are at an approved employment site or unless approved in writing by your supervising officer.
- 3. LAWS:** You must obey all federal and state laws, local ordinances and court orders. You are required to pay all court ordered fines, fees and restitution. You must report any arrest, citation, or summons to your supervising officer within 48 hours.
- 4. WEAPONS:** You must not own, possess, use, pawn, sell, or have under your control any firearm (or imitation) or other dangerous weapon, or be in the company of any person possessing such weapons. You must not possess any ammunition.
- 5. ALCOHOL/CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES:** You will avoid the use of alcohol and all controlled substances. You must not sell, deliver, possess, or use controlled substances except as prescribed by a physician. You will submit yourself to random testing.
- 6. COOPERATION:** You must, at all times, cooperate with the Transitional Living Facility staff and staff of the Arkansas Parole Board, Arkansas Department of Community Correction, and Arkansas Department of Correction.
- 7. SEARCH AND SEIZURE.** You must submit your person, place of residence, and motor vehicles to search and seizure at any time, day or night, with or without a search warrant by any Arkansas Department of Community Correction officer. You must also submit your person, place of residence, or motor vehicle to search at any time, day or night, whenever requested by any other certified law enforcement officer.
- 8. SPECIAL CONDITIONS:** I agree to abide by the specific rules and conditions established by the Transitional Living Facility to which I am being released. A signed copy of these rules will be attached to this document.