Resolution No. 2016-01 Adopted: 5-18-16

A RESOLUTION

Providing for the use of videoconference technology in the conduct of parole violation and revocation hearings:

RESOLVED, that the Board will use videoconference technology in the conduct of parole violation and revocation hearings, to the extent permitted by law, and will develop procedures in furtherance of same.

REASONS FOR ADOPTION

WHEREAS, the Board is an independent administrative board in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that is responsible for the administration of the probation and parole laws of this Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Prisons and Parole Code, 61 Pa. C.S. § 6138, the Board has the authority to revoke grants of parole;

WHEREAS, parole violation and revocation hearings are held at various locations throughout the Commonwealth, often requiring considerable travel and expense;

WHEREAS, videoconference technology has progressed to the point where parolees, witnesses, Hearing Examiners, and Board Members can participate in parole violation and revocation hearings in a manner that comports with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, the use of videoconference technology will increase efficiency, reduce costs, and foster the timely resolution of matters requiring hearings;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board resolves to use videoconference technology in the conduct of parole violation and revocation hearings, to the extent permitted by law, and to develop procedures in furtherance of same.

ATTESTED

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