



Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission

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**Meeting of the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission
Thursday, November 6, 2025**

10:00 a.m.

**Richard P. Kern Memorial Conference Room
Supreme Court of Virginia Building, Fifth Floor**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order, Introductions, and Approval of Minutes from September 3, 2025, Commission Meeting

Judge Dennis L. Hupp (Ret.), Chair

- II. Presentation of the Senate Resolution

Senator Russet W. Perry

- III. Proposed Recommendations: Guidelines & Assault Section B and Canales v Commonwealth

Tom Barnes, Senior Research Associate

Jody Fridley, Director

- IV. The Commission's Use of Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence

Catherin Chen, PhD., Data Scientist

- V. Review of the Annual Report – Concurrence

Marc Leslie, Research Associate

Kim Thomas, Training Associate

Michael Massingill, Research/Training Associate

- VI. Review of Pretrial Project and Report

Chang Kwon, Ph.D., Chief Methodologist

- VII. Miscellaneous Items

a. Deadlines for Edits to the Annual Report – November 21, 2025

b. Proposed 2026 Meeting Dates

c. Remembering Prior Commission Members and Staff: The Honorable Patricia Kelly, Judge and Sally Johnson, Part-time Research Associate

PUBLIC NOTICE

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