

Press Release

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Parole Hearing approaching for John Boone

Chairman's Office seeking individuals and family representatives

Kykotsmovi, AZ. The Office of the Chairman is seeking individuals and/or family representatives who wish to provide verbal or written testimony in the parole hearing regarding the extreme harm to members of the Hopi tribe caused by convicted child sex offender John Boone, former teacher on the Hopi reservation. A parole hearing date has been set for July, 27, 2016. In years past Hopi Chairman Herman Honanie has not deviated from his unequivocal declaration that the life sentence ordered in this case is carried out to its fullest, and no consideration be given for any parole release.

Video testimony is being coordinated with the Hopi Tribe to accommodate those individuals who are unable to travel to Devens, Massachusetts for the hearing. Since verbal communications during the hearing may be limited, the submission of written statements from individuals prior to the hearing is highly recommended. Please submit statements by July 15, 2016, to the Chairman's Office. This will ensure that such testimonials are captured during the hearing process and the U.S. Parole Examiner factors in all voices of individuals that desire to be heard and who are not able to make verbal testimony on the day of the hearing. The U.S. Parole Commission strongly supports victims participating in the parole proceedings.

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