

# DRC Policy/Operations Manual Variance Request

Variance to DRC Policy/Operations Manual: 105-PBD-06		Section(s): F and G
Policy/Operations Manual Name: Full Board Hearing		
Managing Officer Submitting the Request: C. Mausser		
Request Applicable to the Following Facilities: Parole Board and Victim Services		
Date of Request: May 2, 2019	Length of Requested Variance: until policy changes are finalized	Effective Date of Variance: <i>May 14, 2019</i>

**Please provide a full explanation of the requested variance including the justification for the request. Please be specific as to exactly what sections and language are being revised. (Attach additional sheets if necessary):**

Full Board Hearings will be live streamed via an approved media outlet, however other media outlets will NOT be permitted to live stream the hearings but can continue to tape portions of the hearing with the Office of Communications' permission. Language to be added in Section VI. F to the sentence that starts with "Live":

"While the Office of Communications may approve a single media organization to livestream a full board hearing, live broadcasts of the hearing by television, radio, or other telecommunication technology are otherwise prohibited."

Offenders will now be permitted to attend and participate in their Full Board hearings, subject to the permission of the Chair. In section VI. G (1) after the first sentence add the following language:

"However, the inmate being considered for parole may participate in the hearing through videoconferencing if approved by the Parole Board Chair or designee. Unless approved by a victim or victim's representative, an inmate shall not participate during the portion of the hearing when the victim or victim's representative makes a statement. "

**Comments:**

Defer to Cynthia Mausser.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended	Central Office Policy Review Chairperson: Jondrea K Parrish	<i>Jondrea Parrish</i> Date: 5/7/2019
---	--	--

**Comments:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended	Managing Director, Deputy Director, or Regional Director: Cynthia Mausser	<i>Cynthia Mausser</i> Date: 5/7/2019
---	--	--

**Decision/Comments:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved	Director: <i>A. C. Smith</i>	Date: 5/14/19
--	------------------------------	---------------

Expiration of Variance:	<i>next policy revision</i>
-------------------------	-----------------------------