

STATE OF WISCONSIN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR



WAIVER REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY

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1. Name (First, Middle, Last): Jay Alan Starkweather #185145

2. Date of Birth November 29, 1958 3. Social Security Number 390-66-1051

4. Type of executive clemency requested: Pardon Reprieve Commutation

5. Have you applied for an eligibility rule waiver before? Yes No If yes, when? _____
(You may not request a waiver unless 36 months have passed since your last waiver request.)

6. Reason why waiver is requested: You were not convicted of a felony
 You are currently incarcerated
 It has been less than 8 years since you completed your sentence (including all parole and probation)

7. Mailing address (All correspondence will be sent here. Notify the Board of any change of address.)

Street/P.O. Box/Route: New Lisbon Correctional Institution
2000 Progress Road, P.O. Box 4000

City: New Lisbon State: WI Zip: 53950-4000

8. Home address, if different from mailing address (Notify the Board of any change of address.)

Street/P.O. Box/Route: NA

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

9. Telephone number(s) Include Area Code) (You must notify the Board of any change of phone number.):

Home: NA
Work: NA
Cell: _____

10. Crimes for which you will request executive clemency if waiver is granted (use extra sheet if needed)

Crime	Date of Conviction	Sentence and Sentence Length	Date of Sentence completion (including parole and probation)
(A) 1° Inten. Homicide Ct. 1	12/27/96	Life	PED Date 11/29/2068
(B) 1° Intent Homicide-Attempt (Cts. 2 - 5)	" "	45Y 0M 0D	CC to all
(C) Reckless Endangerment (Ct. 6)	" "	9Y 0M 0D	CC to all

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11. Describe (do not just list) the crime(s) identified in Question 9. Explain the circumstances surrounding the crime(s), and why you committed the crime(s). Attach additional sheets of paper if necessary.

My case started with a dispute at my work site with my 2 co-workers and best friends. I told both men to go home, cool off, and we would start fresh the next day. I went to my lake apt 2 miles south. Both men showed up and an argument ensued. I mistakenly thought my friend raised a weapon at me and I shot them both. No weapons were ever found in my home or on the 5+ acre property. By God's grace both men survived. When the police came we got into a firefight. Another good friend was found dead in his trailer. I do not remember all I did or did not do. I was under a lot of financial stress at the time, and started using meth. My legal defense was NGI.

I am so very ashamed of what happened. I have accepted full responsibility for my actions. I have hurt so many I will be haunted to my grave. Nothing will change what happened, and I regret the pain I have caused to those there that day, and their loved ones all these years.

12. Explain the extraordinary circumstances that you believe warrant a waiver of the Governor's eligibility rules. For example, an extraordinary circumstance could be, but is not necessarily, the fact that the conviction prohibits you from obtaining specific employment. However, the desire to hunt or possess a firearm for hunting purposes does not constitute extraordinary circumstances.

I have always believed in the power of redemption. I believe that people have the capacity to change for the better. I have been incarcerated almost 25 years now. I am currently 61, am wheelchair-bound for life, have multiple health issues with failing health. I have done all the DOC has asked of me to rehabilitate myself, and more.

I have chronic bronchitis, a weakened immune system due to various meds, and am at greater risk of infections than able-bodied people. If I get Covid-19, I will die.

I have a college degree, have completed Cognitive Group Intervention program, Anger Management, Anger Carey Guide, Antisocial Thinking, Reentry Substance Abuse. I have done one-on-one Psychologist counseling over the years, and participated in the Pet Therapy Program at RGC and NLCI.

I have been a paid Education Tutor for years, and continue to tutor inmates in reading and mathematics on my own. I have helped many with their resumes, and for better health care access for their ADA and chronic health care needs.

I am not a model inmate. I have had some hiccups along the way. But I have maintained overall good behavior over these many years. I am not perfect. I still make mistakes.

But as I have said above, I still believe in the power of redemption. I am not the same person I was 25 years ago. I can be and will be a success story if given a second chance. I am asking for that now. Thank you for your kind consideration.

I certify that the information in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant signature:  Date: April 12, 2020

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