

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

PAROLE HEARING INFORMATION FOR VISITORS AND FAMILY MEMBERS

Parole Hearings are generally held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and/or Thursdays at the South Carolina Department of Corrections. ***It is the inmate's responsibility to ensure that his/her visitors and representatives go to the correct location.*** The inmate's visitors and representatives will report to the Virtual Parole Facility (VPF) which is located at:

[Watkins Office Park – 1700 St. Andrews Terrace Road, Columbia SC 29210](#)

All visitors and representatives wanting to appear before the parole board to testify in support of parole for an inmate must register using the website: <https://waitwhile.com/book/parolehearings> and click on the link for the institution where the inmate is currently housed. Registration instructions [appear below](#).

Visitors and representatives must arrive at the correct location at 7:30 AM to be processed at this location. Actual processing may begin after 8:30 AM. The inmate who is being considered for parole by the Parole Board may have up to five total persons appear to support him/her. Of the five, one can be a minister/spiritual adviser, one can be an attorney, and no more than three can be family, friends, employers, etc. The attorney can report either to the Watkins Office Park or to the institution where the inmate is housed. If the inmate plans to have an attorney present at the parole hearing, it is the attorney's responsibility to notify the South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services of such representation and to request, in writing, that the attorney be notified of the date of the parole hearing. Visitors and representatives may have the opportunity to speak to the Parole Board.

The parole hearing will be conducted by way of videoconference, which means that the Parole Board will review each case remotely on a television monitor. Inmates and their supporters will have the opportunity to communicate with the Board indirectly by way of the television monitor. [The SC Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services](#) will notify the inmate of the Board's decision.

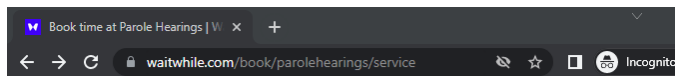
After confirmation of registration on the <https://waitwhile.com/book/parolehearings> site, all visitors and representatives appearing before the Parole Board must present a valid picture identification card (valid driver's license, valid ID card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, valid military ID, valid law enforcement ID) and **may** be subject to normal search procedures conducted by the employees of the South Carolina Department of Corrections (SCDC) prior to being allowed to enter the VPF. No weapons or pocketbooks/handbags are allowed to be taken into the VPF. All visitors must be dressed appropriately.

Visitors and representatives will be directed to a waiting area within the VPF. When the inmate's case is called, the visitors will be directed into the hearing room. After the hearing, the visitors must then immediately leave the facility. The inmate will be informed of the decision of the Board by the Parole Examiner SC Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Services. If parole is granted, the conditions of parole will be provided to the inmate. It is important to note that the inmate will not be released from confinement until all pre-release conditions of parole are met (employment, residence, etc.)

IF AN INMATE WISHES TO WAIVE HIS/HER RIGHT TO A PAROLE HEARING, HE/SHE MUST DO SO AT LEAST THREE WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO HIS/HER SCHEDULED DATE.

Registration Instructions

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Parole Hearings

Select service

Allendale Correctional Institution	>
Broad River Correctional Institution	>
Camille Graham Correctional Institution	>
Evans Correctional Institution	>
Goodman Correctional Institution	>
Kershaw Correctional Institution	>
Kirkland Correctional Institution	>

Then select the hearing date and time. Currently, all hearings are scheduled to begin at 9am. Click on a date and time to continue.

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Select a date & time

Date

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Wed 4 Jan	Wed 18 Jan	Thu 19 Jan	Wed 25 Jan
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Enter your name, the mobile number where you would like to receive notification when it is time to report to the waiting area, email address (optional), inmate name, and inmate number. Click confirm to complete the reservation process.

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Enter your details

Date	Jan 04, Wednesday, 2023
Time	9:00am (EST)
Service	Goodman Correctional Institution

Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*) and must be filled in to complete the form

Name *

Phone *

Email

Inmate Name *

Inmate SCDC ID # *

You will receive confirmation by text message and email if an address was provided.

On the day of the hearing, please arrive at the parking lot by 7:30am and proceed to the waiting room. A text notification will be sent when the parole board is ready to conduct hearings at the institution where the inmate is located.

Up to 3 supporters, 1 clergy member, and 1 attorney may provide a statement to the parole board. If more than one supporter is travelling in the same group, only one is required to register for notification.