

SAN FRANCISCO SENTENCING COMMISSION

The below listed summary of seats, term expirations and membership information shall serve as notice of **vacancies, upcoming term expirations** and information on currently held seats, appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Appointments by other bodies are listed, if available. Seat numbers listed in **bold** are open for immediate appointment. However, you are able to submit applications for all seats and your application will be maintained for one year, in the event that an unexpected vacancy or opening occurs.

Membership and Seat Qualifications

Seat #	Appointing Authority	Seat Holder	Term Ending	Qualification
1	BOS	Theshia Naidoo	indefinite	Must be a sentencing expert appointed by the Board of Supervisors
	District Attorney	Chesa Boudin, District Attorney	Indefinite	Department Head/Chairperson of Authority listed or their designee
	Public Defender	Manohar Raju, Public Defender	Indefinite	
	Adult Probation	Sharon Jackson, Acting Chief	Indefinite	
	Juvenile Probation	Chief Miller	Indefinite	
	Sheriff	Paul M. Miyamoto, Sheriff	Indefinite	
	Police	Chief William Scott	Indefinite	
	Public Health	Dr. Grant Colfax, Director	Indefinite	
	Reentry Council	Karen Roye, Director CSS	Indefinite	
	Supervisor Court	Presiding Judge	Indefinite	
	Family Violence Council	Andrew Tan	Indefinite	
	Reentry Council	William Palmer	Indefinite	One (1) member of a nonprofit organization that works with ex-offenders, appointed by the Reentry Council
	Mayor	Steven Raphael	Indefinite	One (1) member must be an academic researcher with expertise

				in data analysis, appointed by the Mayor
--	--	--	--	--

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (BOS) APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE HERE

- English - https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/vacancy_application.pdf
- 中文 - https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/vacancy_application_CHI.pdf
- Español - https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/vacancy_application_SPA.pdf
- Filipino - https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/vacancy_application_FIL.pdf

(For seats appointed by other Authorities please contact the Board / Commission / Committee / Task Force (see below) or the appointing authority directly.)

Please Note: Depending upon the posting date, a vacancy may have already been filled. To determine if a vacancy for this Commission is still available, or if you require additional information, please call the Rules Committee Clerk at (415) 554-5184.

Applications and other documents may be submitted to BOS-Appointments@sfgov.org

Next Steps: Applicants who meet minimum qualifications will be contacted by the Rules Committee Clerk once the Rules Committee Chair determines the date of the hearing. Members of the Rules Committee will consider the appointment(s) at the meeting and applicant(s) may be asked to state their qualifications. The appointment of the individual(s) who is recommended by the Rules Committee will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

The San Francisco Sentencing Commission (Commission) was established to encourage the development of criminal sentencing strategies that reduce recidivism, prioritize public safety and victim protection, emphasize fairness, employ evidence-based best practices, and efficiently utilize San Francisco’s criminal justice resources.

The Commission shall consist of twelve (12) members, or thirteen (13) members if the Superior Court agrees to provide one member, as follows: CITY DEPARTMENT OR GOVERNMENT AGENCY (Department Head/Chairperson, or his/her designee)

- District Attorney
- Public Defender
- Adult Probation
- Juvenile Probation
- Sheriff
- Police
- Department of Public Health
- Reentry Council
- Superior Court PUBLIC MEMBERS

- One (1) member of a nonprofit organization that works with victim, appointed by the Family Violence Council
- One (1) member of a nonprofit organization that works with ex-offenders, appointed by the Reentry Council
- One (1) member must be a sentencing expert, appointed by the Board of Supervisors
- One (1) member must be an academic researcher with expertise in data analysis, appointed by the Mayor

The Commission shall have the following powers and duties:

- a) Review and assess sentencing approaches locally and compare to other jurisdictions.
- b) Review and assess the City's capacity and utilization of services and alternatives to incarceration throughout the criminal justice continuum, including pre-adjudication and post release.
- c) Review and assess the Justice Reinvestment Initiative recommendations to invest in best practices to reduce recidivism.
- d) Develop a recommended system of uniform definitions of recidivism for City departments to track and report on the outcomes of various criminal sentences and City programs meant to aid in reducing recidivism.
- e) Develop data collection standards and recidivism reporting standards.
- f) Develop and recommend department specific goals to reduce recidivism for the City departments represented on the Sentencing Commission, and other relevant City department.
- g) Make recommendations regarding changes that should be made to the Penal Code and any other state laws to remove barriers to effective implementation of best practices in criminal justice.
- h) Facilitate trainings on best practices in sentencing for various criminal justice agencies.
- i) Share information and work in collaboration with the Reentry Council and the Community Corrections Partnership.
- j) On an annual basis, submit a report to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors summarizing the findings of the Commission and making recommendations on the aforementioned categories.
- k) Nothing in Administrative Code, Article XXV, shall infringe on any agency's legally mandated responsibilities in the criminal justice system and, as such, recommendations are not statutorily binding on any City department.

The District Attorney's Office shall provide staff support and administrative assistance to the Commission. The District Attorney, or the staff member of the District Attorney serving on the Commission, shall also chair the Commission.

The Commission shall meet at least three times a year. All public members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authority and can be removed at any time, with or without cause.

Report: On an annual basis the Commission shall submit a report to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors summarizing the findings of the Commission and making recommendations on matters within their powers and duties.

Sunset: The Commission is set to expire on June 30, 2023, unless the Board of Supervisors adopts an ordinance continuing its existence. The Commission shall submit a report to the Board of Supervisors by January 1, 2023, recommending whether they should continue to operate, and if so, whether the Board of Supervisors should consider legislative changes that would enhance the capacity of the Commission to achieve their underlying goals.

Authority: Administrative Code, Sections 5.25-1 et seq. (Ordinance Nos. 10-12; 75-14; 87-15; and 5-18)

Sunset Date: June 30, 2023

Contact: Tara Anderson, Director of Policy
Sentencing Commission
Office of the District Attorney
350 Rhode Island Street
North Building, Suite 400N
San Francisco, CA 94103
(628) 652-4000
tara.anderson@sfgov.org

Updated: December 23, 2021