

Division of Parole  
State of New York  
97 Central Avenue  
Albany, NY 12206

**RE: Russell Carroll: DIN # 82A0199**

Dear Sir/Madam:

On April 10, 1980, Police Officers Robert Sorrentino and Jack Dowd of the 101st Precinct were on radio motor patrol when the owner of a local club flagged them down and reported that a group of men had robbed and assaulted customers in his club. The officers spotted the suspects in a car and pursued them. The group abandoned the getaway car in a vacant lot by St. Mary Star of the Sea church in Far Rockaway and split up, with the two officers pursuing them on foot. Officer Dowd had apprehended one of the culprits, Robert Avent, when he heard shots coming from the church parking lot. and he called a 10-13 (officer needs assistance) on his radio. Later, at the hospital, Police Officer Sorrentino gave his partner description of the shooter, who turned out to be Marvel Marble. Two additional perpetrators were arrested for the crime. They were Leroy Williams and Russell Carroll. Police Officer Sorrentino succumbed to his wounds 14 days later. All four men were convicted and sentenced to 25 years to life. Three of these men died in prison. Now Russell Carroll is seeking parole after only serving the minimum sentence.

Russell Carroll was sentenced to 25 years to life for his part in this brazen and senseless crime, but the Sorrentino family received a life sentence of pain and suffering. The judge who passed sentence on P.O. Sorrentino's killers said that if there were a death penalty, he would have imposed it. I feel that anyone who is convicted of killing a police officer should stay in jail for the rest of his or her life. Their sentence should be life without parole.

I urge the Parole Division of the State of New York to deny the parole petition of this callous and reckless criminal. As far as I am concerned, Russell Carroll lost his right to freedom the day he decided to engage in that kind of criminal activity. I believe that cop killers and attempted cop killers should be jail, permanently. The State should not reward this criminal for only serving the minimum sentence.

Thank you for your time and effort.

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