

Commission on Sentencing State Documents

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Summary Information

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Scope and Contents

The Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing is a legislative agency responsible for advancing effective, humane, and rational policies that promote fairer and more uniform decisions at sentencing, resentencing, and parole. The Commission achieves this through the development, implementation, and monitoring of compliance with guidelines for sentencing, resentencing, and parole, as well as risk assessments that support pretrial and sentencing decisions. The Commission's research and development program serves as a clearinghouse and information center for the collection, preparation, and dissemination of information on decisions made by courts and paroling authorities, and assists courts and agencies in the development, maintenance, and coordination of sound criminal justice practices in the Commonwealth.

The publications of the Commission on Sentencing contain reports. Selected topics from these publications include the Recidivism Risk Reduction Incentive Program. The bulk of the current material is dated from 2010.

Biographical / Historical

The Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing was created in 1978 by the Pennsylvania General Assembly (42 Pa.C.S. §2151.1, et seq.). In 2008, additional mandates directed the Commission to develop resentencing guidelines (42 Pa.C.S. §2154.4), state and county parole guidelines (42 Pa.C.S. §2154.5), and state recommitment ranges (42 Pa.C.S. §2154.6).

Legacy Agency Names and Related Agencies

Pennsylvania General Assembly (parent agency)

Other Finding Aids

For more information concerning the records of the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing at the Pennsylvania State Archives, please visit:

<https://gencat.eloquent-systems.com/pennsylvania-state-archives/permalink.html?key=class441>.

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