

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules  
DATE: September 20, 2023  
BY: Leslie Porter, Analyst  
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



## PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD

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The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Psychiatric Security Review Board subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### Reappointee

Pamela Buchanan of Portland

### Term

July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2027

### Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 161.385 \(2021\)](#)

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Not required.

### Statutory Requirements<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of ten members, including a five-member adult panel and a five-member juvenile panel, which entail:<sup>4</sup>

- a psychiatrist (REICHLIN);
- a licensed psychologist (**BUCHANAN**);
- a person with substantial parole and probation experience (ELMER);
- a lawyer with substantial criminal trial practice experience (NICHOL);
- a certified, or eligible to be certified, child psychiatrist (NEWMAN);
- a licensed child psychologist (MILLER);
- a person with juvenile parole and probation experience (CASEBIER);
- a lawyer with substantial juvenile law experience (CHILDS); and
- two members of the general public (BOYD, DUKE).

The board may not include a district attorney, deputy district attorney, or public defender. The psychiatrists and psychologists must be experienced in the criminal

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 \(2021\)](#) and [171.565 \(2021\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 182.100 \(2021\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

<sup>4</sup> [ORS 161.385 \(2021\)](#).

justice system and not otherwise employed on a full-time basis by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) or a community mental health program.

Members serve four-year terms, are eligible for reappointment, and may be removed by the Governor for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office. Each panel selects its chair to serve for a one-year term. A majority of the voting members of a panel constitutes a quorum. Each panel must meet at least twice every month, unless the chair determines that there is not sufficient business to warrant a meeting.

### **Duties<sup>5</sup>**

A criminal defendant who is found guilty except for insanity may be placed under the jurisdiction of the board. The board ensures persons under its jurisdiction receive the necessary services and support to reduce the risk of future dangerous behavior using recognized principles of risk assessment, victims' interests, and person-centered care.

The board must:

- adjudicate the discharge, conditional release, or commitment modification of individuals placed in its jurisdiction;
- provide notice of hearings and orders, conditional release, discharge, or escape to specified parties and afford those parties an opportunity to be heard;
- maintain medical, social, and criminal histories of all committed persons; and
- consult with OHA on the certification of psychiatrists and licensed psychologists for the evaluation of a defendant on the issue of insanity.

The board may:

- establish procedure and practice requirements and promulgate rules necessary or appropriate to carry out its statutory responsibilities;
- issue subpoenas; and
- develop a restorative justice program to assist the recovery of crime victims.

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<sup>5</sup> [ORS 161.326 to 161.398 \(2021\)](#).



## Psychiatric Security Review Board

Agency: **Unknown**

Authorization: **ORS 161.385**

Min Members: **10** Max Members: **10**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Behavioral Health**

Board Admin: **Alison Bort**

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## Current Appointments

**Dr Reichlin, Scott M MD**

Forensic Psychiatrist; Adult Panel

Position Number: **1**

Term(s): **7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025**  
**6/1/2017 - 6/30/2021**  
**5/22/2015 - 5/31/2017**

**Dr Buchanan, Pamela S PsyD**

Licensed Psychologist

Position Number: **2**

Term(s): **7/1/2023 - 6/30/2027**  
**7/1/2019 - 6/30/2023**

**Ms Elmer, Trisha J**

Parole & Probation; Adult Panel

Position Number: **3**

Term(s): **7/1/2020 - 6/30/2024**  
**9/22/2016 - 6/30/2020**

**Ms Duke, Julie B**

Public Member; Adult Panel

Position Number: **4**

Term(s): **11/19/2021 - 6/30/2025**

**Ms Nichol, Anne L**

Attorney; Adult Panel

Position Number: **5**

Term(s): **7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025**  
**7/1/2017 - 6/30/2021**

**Dr Newman, Stewart S**

Psychiatrist; Juvenile Panel

Position Number: **6**

Term(s): **7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025**

**Dr Miller, Catherine "Cathy" A PhD**

Psychologist; Juvenile Panel

Position Number: **7**

Term(s): **7/1/2018 - 6/30/2022**  
**1/2/2015 - 6/30/2018**

**Casebier, Karey**

Parole and Probation; Juvenile Panel

Position Number: **8**

Term(s): **7/1/2022 - 6/30/2026**

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**Childs, Marisha**

Term(s):

**11/19/2021 - 6/30/2025**

Attorney; Juvenile Panel

Position Number: **9**

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**Boyd, Cari C**

Term(s):

**11/19/2021 - 6/30/2025**

Public Member; Juvenile Panel

Position Number: **10**

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## Vacant Positions