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Good Morning, My name is John O'Connor. Senator McDonald, Representative Lawlor and members of the Judiciary committee, I thank you for this opportunity to meet with you. I want to thank Governor Rell for nominating me to the Parole Board. I am truly honored to be considered for this position.

My experience in Law Enforcement expands over 37 years and began when I was appointed to the New Haven Police Department in 1964. I was a member of the New Haven Police Department for 27 years retiring in 1991.

During my career with the Department I was promoted to Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain and Commander. During my 27 years, I was assigned a variety of positions including Commander of Internal Affairs, Commander of the Plain Clothes Division, and Commander of Uniform Services Division, the three major components of the department. After retiring in 1991, I was appointed Director of Security at the New Haven Veterans Memorial Coliseum, a position I held for three years.

In 1994 Senators Dodd and Lieberman nominated me for the position of United States Marshal for the District of Connecticut. President William J. Clinton subsequently appointed me and I remained as Marshal for the District of Connecticut for nearly ten years.

In 2005 the Mayor of the City of West Haven appointed me as his Administrative Assistant.

It is with great honor that I have served on the Parole Board since May 27, 2008.

If you have any questions, I would be happy to answer them at this time.

Thank you.