

From: Robin Joy <robin@crgvt.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 12:23 PM
To: Martin LaLonde
Cc: Karen Gennette
Subject: Habitual Offenders

Hi Rep LaLonde,

Hope you've been able to enjoy something of spring. I used DOC's public data set to identify people that they have listed as habitual offenders, then manually looked up the records for a handful of folks to get at what people are being sentenced for as habitual offenders.

This isn't scientific- it doesn't include out of state records, and DOC has said that the way they are recording habitual offenders in their new system is still going through some tweaks. I'll work separately with DOC to figure that out. But here are some defendants and their pasts:

Defendant 1: current max release date is 2021 criminal history dates back to 1990s
First felony is 1991- burg (doesn't say whether OD or not), Arson is his second in 1994. In 1995 he is convicted of kidnapping and sentenced as a habitual with max of 25 years. Since he's been in- he's earned convictions for assault on COs and a sexual luring of a minor.

Defendant 2: criminal history goes back to the 90s. Felony escape charges then ups to about 5 different burg convictions. I can't find the docket where he was sentenced as a habitual offender. However, he was released and is currently facing another burg and petty larceny charge.

Defendant 3- in 01 sentenced for 3 convictions of SA on his own kid and one count of agg AS. has criminal history going back to the 80s. But I can't find any predicate felonies.

Defendant 4: Unlawful trespass (felony- 98). Grand Larceny, Burg (97). In 02 he was charged as a habitual offender, but that was dismissed by the state. I can't find a docket that would have him currently sentenced as a habitual offender. He's largely committed misdemeanors this century, and has a current open case for resisting arrest.

Defendant 5: can't find any felony convictions. Or even why DOC ever had him. will work with DOC to resolve.

Defendant 6- serving 3 to 15 as a habitual offender and Agg Asslt- 2010. Priors: Agg Asslt 08, Fel Neg opp and Fel unlawful mischief - 00.

Hope this is helpful,

Robin