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Re: CDCR Inmate Frank Bigoski, IV, #AW6553

On May 5, 2017, a Board of Parole Hearing was held at the Sierra Conservation Center for convicted torturer Frank Bigoski.

On the evening of May 12, 2011, Frank Bigoski lived in a Fairfield home with his sister Ryan Odom and several other individuals. That evening, around 5:30 P.M., Odom and another housemate lured Keith Osby, 27, to the home for the purpose of confronting Keith about an alleged theft of Bigoski's laptop and Odom's Playstation.

Once Keith arrived at the home, he was attacked by Odom, Bigoski and several others. Bigoski punched Keith multiple times, including at least once in the face. Others hit and kicked Keith. Keith was still under attack by these individuals when Bigoski got a metal baseball bat and swung the bat at Keith twice, hitting him once. Keith tried multiple times to escape the room, but was prevented from doing so each time by the individuals in the house. Keith's wrists and legs were bound behind his back with duct tape. Bigoski helped hold his legs while he was being taped. A t-shirt was used to hog-tie Keith's legs and feet together and duct tape was wrapped around Keith's mouth and head.

One of the attackers, DaMarcus Armstrong, pointed a gun at Keith's head and demanded answers as to the stolen property; Keith denied stealing anything. Armstrong, Odom, and others subsequently left the residence, with Armstrong indicating that Bigoski was in charge of watching Keith until he got back. During the 90 minutes to two hours between Armstrong's departure and return, Keith asked multiple times to be released. Keith begged to be allowed to leave and see his eighteen-month-old son again. Bigoski refused to release Keith. During this time, Keith was bleeding from the nose, his eye was swollen shut, and he appeared badly beaten.

When Armstrong returned, Bigoski helped Armstrong load Keith into a van. Armstrong drove Keith to the parking lot of the Masonic Temple in Vallejo, where he removed Keith from the vehicle and then shot Keith in the head. Keith was killed sometime around 11 P.M. that evening. He was found still bound tightly at the wrists, with injuries all over his body, and massive hemorrhaging consistent with blunt force trauma in his abdominal cavity.

At trial, the jury acquitted Bigoski of first degree murder but found him guilty of the torture of Keith Osby. Bigoski was sentenced on April 17, 2015, to a term of life with the possibility of parole.

Deputy District Attorney Bill Ainsworth strenuously opposed the release of inmate Frank Bigoski, asking the Parole Board to find that he continues to represent an unreasonable risk to public safety if released, and

requesting that the denial be for seven years until the next parole eligibility. Deputy District Attorney Ainsworth argued that the horrific and calculated nature of the crime, the minimal time served by the inmate, and the inmate's insufficient responses to questions posed during the hearing all demonstrated that Bigoski still lacked sufficient insight into the nature of and reasons for his actions that contributed to Keith Osby's death, and still posed an unreasonable risk to the community if released. Despite this strong opposition, the Parole Board granted parole, stating that there was no nexus between the crime committed and current risk to public safety posed by the inmate.