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Davis Murderer Denied Parole

(Woodland, CA) – **April 25, 2013 -** Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig announced that 59-year-old convicted murderer Charles McNeill was denied parole yesterday by a two-commissioner panel of the Board of Parole Hearings. In 1978, McNeill brutally murdered Charles Muller near Davis. Muller was 18 years old when he was shot in the forehead by McNeill who was 25. This was McNeill's thirteenth parole hearing.

In early 1979 a Yolo County judge sentenced McNeill to 17-years-to-life for the murder after a jury trial. At the hearing, both Commissioners agreed that McNeill would still pose a continued risk to public safety should he be released from prison. Commissioners told McNeill that his statements of remorse were "superficial" and "not from the heart."

Kenneth Muller, the victim's brother and a Davis resident, spoke on behalf of the Muller family opposing release. Supervising Deputy District Attorney Garrett Hamilton represented the District Attorney's Office at the hearing. Yolo County Sheriff Ed Prieto and District Attorney Jeff Reisig wrote letters in opposition to McNeill's release.

Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig stated that he is proud of the efforts of his Lifer Parole Division. "We will continue to do everything we can to support the friends and family of Charles Muller who continue to endure this unimaginable pain. We will never forget Charles. That is the very least we can do for these families and all families who have survived similar tragedies."

McNeill will be eligible for parole again in three years.

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