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**PAROLE DENIAL REQUEST LETTER FOR CORY BICKHARDT FROM
ALLIANCE FOR SAFE COMMUNITIES:**

Conspiracy, Murder 2nd Degree, Failure to report a Death, with assault being dismissed were the final charges Corey Bickhardt faced. A sanitized version of the horrific crimes he participated in while executing the demise of Domingo Ortiz.

“These folks murdered someone in a particularly brutal manner”. That was a former attorney general Peter Kilmartin’s description of the killing of Domingo Ortiz.

The victim, Domingo Ortiz, was an army veteran, a carpenter, and father of a large and loving family. More than can be said about his assailants, specifically Corey Bickhardt, who faced a 24 mos. sentence for burglary in Pennsylvania before being sentenced in Rhode Island for this murder.

Domingo Ortiz had been beaten by Michelle Morin and her boyfriend Steven Pietrowicz with their bare hands and a baseball bat, the night before he was finally murdered.

Steven Pietrowicz, Morin’s boyfriend, and his friend Bickhardt, hatched a plan to keep Ortiz captive in the basement overnight until morning came.

After a night of suffering in the basement broken and bloody, Pietrowicz and Bickhardt dug a hole for Ortiz body to be disposed of after strangling the last breaths of life from him. Both Bickhardt and Pietrowicz buried Ortiz body under a newly built deck off the house and covered it with concrete after.

Michelle Morin who was convicted of her gruesome role in this case served only 1/2 of her 20-year sentence and was scheduled for parole release in July 2025.

Bickhardt's "good time" release date for Murder 2 charges is 6/24/2045. Surely the parole board will honor this sentence imposed by the courts for such a heinous crime committed.

Bickhardt's brutal, cold-hearted, calculating nature in this crime gives society great concern about his possible earlier release. His current confinement in "High Security" certainly raises concern about his behavior and risk factors.

The sentence was appropriate for this crime and should be adhered to the last day.

Alliance for Safe Communities requests parole is denied for Mr. Bickhardt currently.

Respectfully, Carolyn Medeiros

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