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Introduction

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. \$638.075 (1992), the Board of Pardons is required to file a written report with the legislature summarizing actions it took during the previous year.

The Minnesota Board of Pardons is made up of the Governor, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the Attorney General. The board is authorized to grant the following types of extraordinary relief to persons who have been convicted of crimes:

- o pardon -- an act of forgiveness which exempts the convicted person from the punishment imposed by the law.
- commutation -- the substitution of a lesser type of punishment for the original sentence.
- o pardon extraordinary -- statutorily created relief granted after the applicant has served the sentence. When a pardon extraordinary is granted, the court issues an order to set aside the conviction and the person to whom the pardon extraordinary is granted is no longer required to report the conviction.

1993 Data

This report indicates the number of applications received during the preceding calendar year for pardons, commutations and pardons extraordinary; the number of applications granted by the board for each category; and the crimes for which the applications were granted by the board, the year of each conviction, and the age of the offender at the time of the offense. The tables below provide the information required by statute.

It should be noted that the number of applications returned because of ineligibility is lower than reported in 1992. We believe this is primarily because the 1991 changes to the statute clarified the eligibility requirements and as a result we have been able to advise potential applicants who are not eligible. In 1993 we sent out 154 pardon extraordinary applications and 36 pardon/commutation applications.

For additional information about the Board of Pardons, feel free to contact Jean Whitney, Secretary, at (612) 642-0284.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AND ACTION TAKEN IN 1993

	No. of Appl. Submitted	No. of Appl. Returned/ Not Eligible	No. Granted
Pardons	4	-	0
Commutations	8	-	0
Pardons Extraordinary	41	11	20

PARDONS EXTRAORDINARY GRANTED IN 1993

APPLICANT	CRIME(S)	YR. OF CONV.	AGE AT TIME OF CONVICTION
1.	Petit Theft Theft by Larceny	1979 1980	26 27
	Petit Theft	1981	28
2.	Sale of Contr. Subst.	1978	19
3.	Aggrav. ForgeryUtterin	g 1979	36
4.	Prostitution	1981	23
	Promotion of Prostit.	1981	24
5.	Burglary	1976	18
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6.	Unlawful Poss. of Contr. Substance	1971	20
7.	Poss. of Contr. Subst. w/Intent to Sell	1975	22
8.	Felony Theft	1975	26
9.	Misdemeanor Theft	1987	28
10.	Poss. of Alcoholic Bev.	1963	18
	D.W.I.	1963	19
	Petty Theft	1963	19
	Burglary	1964	19
11.	Simple Robbery	1974	18
	Visiting Disorderly House		19
	Felony Theft	1978	23
12.	Sale of Contr. Subst.	1975	23
13.	Petty Theft	1982	33

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APPLICANT	CRIME(S)	YR. OF CONV.	AGE AT TIME OF CONVICTION
14.	Misdemeanor Theft	1987	20
15.	Felony Forgery Receiving/Concealing Stolen Property	1960 1966	23 29
	Burglary	1968	31
16.	Assault, 3rd deg.	1981	21
17.	Coercion-threatening to injure trade or busines		39
18.	Threatening false police Theft by swindle Aggrav. forgery; miscone of public employee	1980	35
19.	Larceny	1978	20
20.	Petit Theft Carrying Concealed Weap	1969 on 1969 1970	25 25 26
	Disorderly Conduct Petit Theft Public Intoxication (2X	1970) 1970	26 26
	Burglary Theft Disorderly Conduct	1970 1971 1972	26 27 28
	Simple Assault Petit Theft	1972 1973	28 29
	Simple Assault Simple Robbery	1973 1977	29 33
	Illeg. Use Credit Card Theft	1979 1979	35 35
	Leaving Scene of Accide Petit Theft	nt 1981 1981 1982	37 37 38
	Petit Theft Public Intoxication (3X	. 7000	38