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**New York State Executive Advisory Committee on  
Sentencing Research, Hearing, and Study Files 12596**

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## Overview of the Records

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<b>Repository:</b>	New York State Archives
<b>Summary:</b>	The Executive Advisory Committee on Sentencing was established by Governor Carey to evaluate the effectiveness of existing laws relating to imprisonment, probation, and parole in achieving sentencing goals, and to study and evaluate alternatives for change. The series consists of meeting agendas and minutes; correspondence; written testimony and testimony given before the committee; consultants' reports; and research materials pertaining to sentencing, parole, probation, and plea bargaining.
<b>Creator:</b>	New York (State). Executive Advisory Committee on Sentencing
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## Arrangement

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Arranged roughly by subject or type of record.

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## Administrative History

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The Executive Advisory Committee on Sentencing was established by Governor Carey by Executive Order #62 (December 5, 1977) to evaluate the effectiveness of existing laws relating to imprisonment, probation, and parole in achieving sentencing goals, and to study and evaluate alternatives for change. Specifically, the committee was to evaluate whether indeterminate sentences are preferable to a system of definite sentencing, or if an option between the two approaches should lay with the sentencing judge.

The committee limited its study to felony sentences and also attempted to describe and analyze the presentencing stage of the criminal justice system, as well as the practical results of sentencing. The committee chairman was New York County District Attorney Robert M. Morgenthau; general counsel for the committee was Steven E. Landers.

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## Use of Records

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### Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of this material.

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## Access Terms

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- Probation--New York (State)
- Criminal justice, Administration of
- Consultants' reports
- Journal (periodicals) articles
- Evaluating sentencing
- New York (State)
- Minutes (administrative records)
- Researching
- Reports
- Judicial discretion--New York (State)
- Parole--New York (State)
- Memorandums
- Sentences (Criminal procedure)
- Landers, Steven E.

- Morgenthau, Robert M.