## Maryland State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy



## **MSCCSP MEETING**

**Date:** Tuesday, September 12, 2023

**Time:** 5:30 pm

**Location:** Videoconference

## <u>AGENDA</u>

1. Call to order

2. Declaration of quorum

- 3. Approval of minutes from July 11, 2023, MSCCSP meeting
- 4. Guidelines Subcommittee report Judge Shannon Avery
  - a. Proposed amendments to the instructions for calculating the offense score to address feigned weapons (**Action item**)
  - b. Proposed COMAR and guidelines manual clarifications to address SB 211 (2023) and the corresponding new PBJ, CP, § 6-220(c) (Action item)
  - c. Review of sentencing guidelines departure reasons (Status report)
- 5. Executive Director report Dr. David Soulé
  - a. Introduction of new policy analyst/graduate research assistant (Status report)
  - b. Forthcoming November 13, 2023, offense table updates (**Status report**)
  - c. Sentencing guidelines training and judiciary feedback sessions (Status report)
  - d. Review of protocol for the December 5, 2023, public comments hearing (Status report)
- 6. Remaining 2023 meetings
  - a. December 5, 2023, public comments hearing, 5:00 pm (Maryland Judicial Center)
  - b. December 5, 2023, business meeting, starts 10 minutes after conclusion of the public hearing (Maryland Judicial Center)
- 7. Old business
- 8. New business and announcements
  - a. Maryland Office of the State Prosecutor request to review sentencing guidelines for violations involving abuse of a position of trust