



## No Parole Peltier Association Newsletter

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**"In the Spirit of Coler and Williams"**

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### **Dear NPPA supporters:**

On Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> Leonard Peltier went before a hearing officer at Lewisburg Penitentiary for his first public parole hearing in fifteen years. Calling it a public hearing is a misnomer because it was tightly controlled and by invitation only. Six people testified giving their reasons why he should not be paroled and three on Peltier's behalf.

The Commission has twenty-one days to render a decision which could range from his release or scheduling his next hearing five, ten or more years hence.

To those intimately involved in the process the hearing went as expected, in other words, no surprises and nothing changed. Reasons why he should remain behind bars were based on his unequivocal guilt reinforced by nearly thirty years as a public figure making press releases and statements that only reinforce the premise that nothing removed him from the brutal murder of two wounded FBI agents. Peltier remained steadfast to the rhetoric and folklore; he's innocent, wrongly convicted and serving an unjust sentence. He could have, for once at this critical juncture, owned up to the truth and admitted his participation in the murder of agents Jack Coler and Ron Williams and satisfied the crucial elements for parole consideration; admission of guilt and acceptance of responsibility. But that wasn't about to happen.

A full report of the hearing will be provided in Editorial Essay #50 entitled, "Mission to Lewisburg..." which will be completed as soon as the parole commission announces its decision.

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