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Subject: Non-Compliance of 944.31 Inspector General; inspectors; Powers and duties.

The Florida Department OF Corrections (FDOC), has two, designated watch dogs, that are put here, to protect the Constitutional, and Human Rights, OF the inmates housed in the FDOC, one being the American Correctional Association (ACA) the second is Florida, statute 944.31 Inspector General; inspectors; powers and duties, which is a beautifully written, and constructed, statute, that would benefit the lives, health and safety OF inmates if it was complied with.

one OF the most noticeable problems, with this, statute is they fill the positions, OF institutional inspectors, with former Correctional OFFicers, who are familiar, with the the Administr-

ation and staff, that they are now, appointed to police, most of these newly appointed institutional inspectors, have been on the other side, of the criminal activity, from assaulting inmates, illegal use of chemical agencies, falsifying disciplinary reports, or other state documents, so they may be called on to investigate staff, who they, as a correctional officer, worked side by side with, and potentially, created these same violations, with or around.

The Inspector Generals, themselves, are usually recruited, from the FDOC rank and file, so they are former wardens, regional directors ect, who are tied into the "Good ol' Boy network." Now they are assigned to conduct, or appoint staff to conduct, internal investigations on administrations for which they have ties, and connections to. Thus lies the main problem with having 944.31 F.S. complied with.

over to our right is lines 6-20 of 944.31 as you can see, it is well written, to ensure cleanliness sanitation, safety food inspection, but most of all, they must see, that all rules and regulations, issued by the department, are strictly observed and followed by all persons connected with the correctional system, of the state.

The office of the inspector general shall inspect each correctional institution or any place in which state prisoners are housed, worked, or kept within the state, with reference to its physical conditions, cleanliness, sanitation, safety, and comfort; the quality and supply of all bedding; the quality, quantity, and diversity of food served and the manner in which it is served; the number and condition of the prisoners confined therein; and the general conditions of each institution. The office of inspector general shall see that all the rules and regulations issued by the department are strictly observed and followed by all persons connected with the correctional systems of the state.

This beautifully written section, is not complied with. I've never in 23 years, had an institutional inspector, inspect my bedding, or come down with

the Food carts, and inspect the quality and quantity of food we are served. In fact right now we have mold and mildew on the bottom of the food trays, for which I filed an informal grievance #6-14-137 and formal grievance #1406-213-179 appeal filed on 6-23-14 and a formal complaint filed on June 19, 2014, all to no avail.

In May of 2014, I was assaulted by Correctional Officer's twice that month, because of my grievance and writings on my blog. The institutional inspector was P-Dorm's, former property room Sgt. in 2009, under the same administration, that he was now investigating, for assault, and acts of reprisal. The investigation went nowhere, it was swept under the rug, with over a half dozen to a dozen assaults, that took place here in P-Dorm, in the summer of 2012, because we had the police, policing themselves with institutional inspectors, who were covering the abuse and rule violations up.

our other watchdog the A.C.A. is a waste of tax dollars. Taxpayers, are shelling out millions of dollars a year, to have institution, A.C.A. accredited. which is suppose to ensure, that the institutions are abiding by constitutional standards. yet its a sham, with "preplanned ACA inspections." The prison administration, therefore cleans up and creates a false facade, painting over mildewed walls, and seeing that the food, is properly prepared, and presented in a suitable manner, during the ACA inspection. The day after, everything returns to normal. This ACA accreditation is a sham and a waste of tax dollars!"

The Legislature and other individuals of authority

are under the misconception of constitutional compliance due to 944.31 F.S. and the ACA which as I've shown you here, is a "False Facade".

We need the Florida Legislature to fix this, to change the way that Inspector Generals are put into office, and the way institutional inspectors are hired, ensuring they have no ties to the FDOC making them, an outside, independent investigative source. For this is the only way, to ensure that 944.31 F.S. operates successfully.

Further more all ACA standards should be mandatory and all ACA inspections, should be surprise inspections, otherwise ACA accreditation is a False Facade and a waste of Government Funds.

I hope this Formal Complaint will bring about the much needed changes to 944.31 F.S. and the ACA and give the inmates in the FDOC a true watch dog that protects our constitutional and human rights.

Respectfully
submitted
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