



August 12, 2014

Mr. Ronald W. Clark Jr #812974 P-6118
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Raiford, Florida 32026-4460

Dear Mr. Clark:

Your recent correspondence to Postmaster General Patrick R. Donahoe, concerning intercepting, withholding or censoring of mail, including confidential medical information, was referred to this office for review.

We understand your concerns; however, the situation you describe does not come under the authority of the US Postal Service. Federal court decisions concerning the right of inmates to receive and send correspondence and the authority given to prison officials to censor incoming and outgoing mail have been based on constitutional grounds, not on violations of the Postal laws.

As information, mail addressed to an inmate of any institution is delivered to the institution for internal distribution as appropriate. At the point of delivery to the facility, the responsibility of the US Postal Service ends. Authorized personnel of prisons, jails, or other correctional institutions, under rules and regulations set forth by the institution, may open, examine, and censor mail sent from, or addressed to an inmate of the institution. Federal court decisions concerning the right of inmates to receive and send correspondence and the authority given to prison officials to censor incoming and outgoing mail have been based on constitutional grounds, not on violations of Postal laws.

Thank you for taking the time to communicate your concerns and giving us the opportunity to respond.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read "R. Gillard".

R. Gillard

Blog Followers : our mail once it enters this hell hole called the FDOC is not protected by the Government. Federal courts suck!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald W. Clark Jr" with the date "Sept 18, 2014" written below it.

Ronald W. Clark Jr
Sept 18, 2014