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Letter to Ellsworth dated 15 Feb. 2015

Greetings + thanks for your moral support.

But it's not as simple as that, about being a rat. In the federal pens (max security), the guys in WI I was trying to help would not qualify as "cons" or "convicts", but would be deemed, at best, "prisoners", which is a neutral term, or, worse, & more likely, "inmates", which in prison jargon, is a derogatory term. That is for many reasons, due to their atrocious conduct (e.g. cussing people out from behind doors, pulling their dicks out on staff, informing on other prisoners, etc.) + simply for being on psych. meds or being mentally ill.

At pens such as Beumont, Atwater, Victorville, Pollock, + Big Sandy, the guys I was helping would be stabbed, or at least beat off the yard, for damn sure those with any type of sex case + same for any whites who pulled their dicks out on staff. I too would be stabbed or beat off the yard, just for pressing charges on prison staff who abused other prisoners.

I'm not saying that's right, though I don't pity the flashers + cho-mos who get it rough, or the shit talkers, etc.

From the perspective of gang members, it makes perfect sense. They don't want BOP staff to pay attention to them, to hassle them (e.g. shut down their poker tables, dope dealing + weapons stashes, etc.), so they don't even file grievances on staff. And staff have no problem planting a shank on or otherwise burning someone who files a grievance on them. There's an unwritten agreement - you mind your biz + we'll mind ours; leave us alone, we'll leave you alone.

Rather cowardly + dishonorable in my book, + it results in corruption, staff getting away with abuse + the public not even realizing it. Although my book (+ yours) carry little weight (unless 50 guys with foot-long knives are backing it up) I'm gonna keep on pushing it, because it's the right thing to do.

Please help me by republishing my descriptions of abuse + legal documents elsewhere, on other sites, to journalists, etc.

Regards, Note