

DEAR READER,

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HEY. I HOPE YOU ARE WELL!

TODAYS STORY IS AN EXAMPLE OF HOW THIS SYSTEM WORKS.

I WAS PLAYING BASKETBALL MY 2ND SUMMER ON DEATH ROW. IT'S VERY HOT. SUMMERTIME IN FLORIDA. THE HEAT INDEX WAS OVER 100 AND I'M PLAYING HARD. I GO OVER TO THE WATER SPECKED AFTER THE FIRST GAME IS OVER. THE WATER WAS BARELY TRICKLING OUT OF IT....

ONCE AGAIN THE YARD SGT. (WE'LL CALL HIM STRONGMAN) TURNED OFF THE WATER. HE'D BEEN ORDERED BY HIGHER RANKS TO STOP DOING THAT TO US.

THE ONLY WAY TO GET ANY WATER WAS TO LITERALLY PUT YOUR LEGS ON THE SPECKED.... NOT HAPPENING. ESPECIALLY WITH HOW DEATH ROW INMATES KEEP POPPING UP WITH HEPATITIS AND OTHER DISEASES. SOMETIMES EVEN AFTER THEY WERE PREVIOUSLY SCREENED AND THE RESULTS WERE NEGATIVE.... I WASN'T TOUCHING THAT SPECKED WITH MY LEGS! :-)

SO HE REFUSED OUR MANY REQUESTS TO TURN IT (THE PRESSURE) BACK UP. SO WE WENT TO CONTINUE PLAYING BALL.

I DON'T KNOW IF SO WAS THE NEXT GAME OR THE GAME AFTER THAT BUT I GOT DIZZY AND NAUSEOUS AND WEAK... AND I WENT DOWN.

I'M LYING THERE ON THE HOT, CONCRETE BASKETBALL COURT FADING IN AND OUT. I WAS HELPED/CARRIED TO THE GYM BY THE OTHER DEATH ROW INMATES. AND THEY DECLARED A MEDICAL EMERGENCY ON MY BEHALF.

I WAS ROLLED DOWN THE HALLWAY TO MEDICAL. THE NURSE ASSESSED ME AND PUT BAGS OF ICE ON MY ANKLES, WRIST, NECK AND UNDER MY ARMS. AND A COLD COMPRESS ON MY HEAD. AND SHE HELD A CUP, HELPING ME SIP, ICE WATER.

AFTER I WAS FINE SHE INFORMED ME I HAD A HEART STROKE AND MY BODY HEAT INDEX WAS 120 WHEN SHE FIRST TOOK IT!

FOR ANYONE WHO DOESN'T KNOW, THAT'S NOT MY INTERNAL TEMPERATURE BUT MY EXTERNAL TEMP.

WELL... I WROTE A COMPLAINT ON HIM FOR TURNING OFF THE WATER. YOU WANT TO KNOW HOW THE PRISON REMEDIED THAT

RESOLUTION? I'LL TELL YOU HOW —

THEY DENIED MY GRIEVANCE, WELL, I NEVER RECEIVED IS BACK, AND SGT. "STRONGMAN" DISAPPEARED. WE ALL FIGURED HE WAS FIRED, ... NOPE! A COUPLE YEARS LATER I WAS TRANSFERRED TO UNISON C. INSO (THE LONG TERM DEATH ROW. BUT NOW IS THE ONLY DEATH ROW IN FLORIDA) AND MY 2ND DAY HERE GUESS WHO PAYS MY WING A VISIT?? YUP! SGT... NO — NOW LIEUTENANT (LT.) STRONGMAN! YUP! THAT'S RIGHT! HE WAS MOVED TO THIS PRISON "AND" GIVEN A PROMOTION!

I'VE GRIEVED ISSUES OF ABUSE ON 4 STAFF MEMBERS SINCE I'VE BEEN ON DEATH ROW (GRIEVED OR WRITTEN A STATEMENT) AND ALL 4 OF THEM WAS GIVEN A PROMOTION WITHIN A YEAR OF IS.

IS'S NOTHING NEW. IS'S BEEN GOING ON FOR A LONG TIME. BUT IS'S WEIRD THAT IS'S HAPPENED TO ME "4" TIMES SINCE 2011.... REMEMBER MY BLOG FROM APRIL 8TH OF THIS YEAR? 2 OF THOSE OFFICERS WERE GIVEN A PROMOTION TOO

AND SO WAS THE ONE WHO THREATENED
ME ABOUT WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN TO ME IF
I KEEP MAKING THESE...

ANYWAY —

UNTIL NEXT TIME.

YOURS TRULY,

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