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"STAFF SUSPECT POSSIBLE RETALIATION"

Several officer's have read my latest essays dealing with this administration. Specifically "THE 2021 FALLEN OFFICER MEMORIAL CEREMONY" and "GROSS INCOMPETENCE". Well they've made the comment that ," Your going back to disciplinary confinement. And another officer said I'm playing with fire and that a shank (prison knife) could be tossed in my cell. Not meaning him, but the administration would put staff up to it. And I understand exactly what their saying. In 2001-02 somewhere in that area I seen Sgt Green and Co Carol (both retired now) plant a shank in a death row inmates cell at FSP. That inmate is still here and is currently housed over on 4 top. It was done because the inmate wrote a grievance on them, or sent in a kite, telling how they were allowing inmates out of their cells, and allowing TVs to be taken to a specific death row inmates cell to be worked on. So staff planted the shank as retaliation. I've heard of other incidents where this has happened. In September 2011 and in May 2012 I personally experienced it with them plant razorblades in my cell as retaliation over my writings about then Warden Barry V. Reddish, and the alleged DUI's that the local police swept under the rug. I received 9 retaliatory DR's that was blatant lies!! Which in and of itself was a criminal act of falsifying State documents and lying under oath. But as we all know these people have a history of doing a lot worse than that!! They've got a history of burning inmates up in a shower, gassing inmates to death and physical beating them to death. So to say their law abiding correctional officer's, who don't retaliate and always act in a professional and lawful manner, well to say that is to ignore the abusive history of the Florida Department of Corrections. And just like this latest DR that I received on July 8,2021. Well a month prior to that I had written a piece entitled," Remember Where You Come From" which was about the history of our Regional Director John Palmer who rose out of ashes of one of the most corrupt administrations there has ever been, the Administration of James V. Crosby Jr. Who started out as a Co and climbed all the way up through the ranks to that of Warden then Regional Director and right into the highest law enforcement position in Florida, as Secretary of the Florida Department of Corrections, only to fall while in office to the title of "INMATE James V. Crosby Jr." Yes and during the rise and fall, Mr John Palmer was his right hand man. When staff read that essay, they said I was playing with fire! They said " look he can get you without even getting his hands dirty." When staff told me that, I actually wrote several emails out in June documenting what was said. And what happens several weeks later? Yes you got it! Staff set me up with this DR ,and then to top it off suspended my visit's. Coincidence? Or is this retaliation over that essay about Mr John Palmer who rose like a Phoenix rising out of the ashes of the most corrupt and unethical administration that has ever existed? My writings unequivocally ruffle feathers here at UCI that vibrate throughout the rank and file of the Florida Department of Corrections. And this DR, and the visitation suspension as well as the way they've handled the grievance appeals is evident of unethical unlawful and unprofessional conduct. For when you look at the facts, they failed to abide by Florida law. They failed to abide by 33- F.A.C. allowing the DR chairman who found me guilty and ignored the law, to then respond to my DR grievance appeal and again ignore the law!!!" Rules are pretty clear. 33-601.306(1) A person SHALL NOT serve as the hearing officer or as a member of the disciplinary team, or participate in the deliberations when they are:

- (a) A witness or person who wrote the charge.
- (b) The investigating officer. or
- (c) "THE PERSON CHARGED WITH THE REVIEW OF THE RESULTS OF THE DISCIPLINARY HEARING."

Mr Charles Minta finds me guilty, and then step's into the reviewing process and responds to a grievance, that is against him and his erroneous decision where he's failing to apply the legal standards in this case. And the appeal's, well Tallahassee will do what the prison administration says. I have evidence of that. In 2003 I won a grievance, when I showed it to then head classification officer Barry V Reddish, he took the grievance up front made a phone call and within several days they sent me an amended response. On February 1,2004 I and several other inmates engaged in a huger strike to correct the wrongs that we were enduring. And yes we won! But that is evidence that the grievance system is as much of a failure as this administration is in its leadership roll. So bottom line is staff believes that another DR is coming. In all honesty if this administration wants to stop me from writing, all they have to do is work with us to better our living conditions. That's all I'm asking. If you have seen the letter's that I've written to the Warden and Assistant Warden, I'm asking them to correct things that we're entitled to, such as recreation, correcting the lighting which is unconstitutional and other issues such as that. But their hatred for me and other inmates, makes them unwilling to do the right thing. And well, I'm unwilling to sit here and do nothing to correct these problems. So we're at a stalemate. I ask for your prayer's, to change the hearts and mindset of these people, but more importantly I ask for your action. Email the Secretary and ask him to come here and speak with me. I would say speak with us, but most guy's back here fear retaliation, and therefore will not speak to anyone with authority. Yes I'm fighting an uphill battle. But I'm determined to bring change. Please help us fight the good fight. God bless you all.

Sincerely Ronald W. Clark Jr. #812974 September 19,2021