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The conditions of Florida's Death Row housing unit called P- dorm, is unhealthy, unconstitutional and down right dangerous to not only the 200 plus men housed there, but to the attorney's, visitor's, officer's, medical staff, vendor's and Florida National Guardsmen who are working 12 to 16 hour's in this mold infested cesspool. Not only are the 200 plus men and staff breathing in mold spores, that are breeding throughout this building, but there also forced to breathe in some type of gases that coming into the living quarters through the drainage system in the hallway. This has been an ongoing problem for several years now. Its not a daily occurrence, it happens randomly. And mostly in the late PM and early AM hours. The oder is so strong that it'll wake the men up, that's living back there, and they'll suffer from a headache. On top of this, you have a black oily substance that's coming out in the water. This has been happening for over 25 years. This black oily, greasy substance can be seen in your drinking cup after weeks of use, or sometimes even days. Some guys like myself form a homemade filter that will catch the dark substance. Now understand this, there's a high cancer rate among the men on death row. Is this water the culprit? That's the real concern over the black oily substance that's in our drinking water. And if you don't think those three issue's top it all, we've got to worry about raw sewage spilling out of our toilet's, sometimes exploding out of the toilet, all over the floor. The 168 cell's located on the first floor, doesn't have back up valves. So the man in the cell above you, may flush his toilet, if there's any obstruction in the pipes, what ever is flushed, urine, feces, seamen, blood will come through the pipe, up through your toilet spilling out into your cell, and getting into your locker, that sits directly on the floor. This has been an ongoing issue since this building was constructed back in the early 90's, and the men were moved in, in 1992 which temporarily halted the move due to the overflowing toilet's. On Thursday December 20,2018 at approx 4:00 am I was laying on my bunk writing an email, when raw sewage gushed up out of my toilet all over the floor. Each time the man above me, as well as next to me, flushed more urine and turds spilled into my floor. This was "highly documented", not only in my email, but the email's of my girlfriend at the time, who sent email's to the Warden, and other administrators while this was taking place, they would show up four hours later to witness some of it. The flooding had taken place for hours! And that's no exaggeration. I had notified the floor Sgt immediately. At approx 5:30 they attempted to serve me breakfast, now there's human feces that stinks worse than a sewage plant!! All over my floor, and going out into the hall. There's part of a turd laying on the toilet seat. I refused the breakfast tray. At around 7 am I finally got a mop and mop bucket put in my cell, and was cleaning this up, while the mop bucket was being dumped the second or third time, I was standing there talking to a co and the Sgt, when the toilet began gushing again. Within an hour the Col Major and Warden was there, they gave the order, for me to be moved to another cell. In 2019 my current wife contacted the Senators about several toilets that were flooding on 6 wing. There was sewage all up and down the hall. Feces out on the catwalk with toilet paper that remained there for weeks. On top of this, the construction of this building was done cutting corner's, where there's gaps between the back wall and floor on every first floor cell, the sewage over the years, has spilled into those gaps,

some of which have been filled in with some type of grout, but the mold from that spilled sewage, remains growing due to the dampness under the building. And that mold has gotten into areas around the bottom of the rear wall, that was then painted over. That mold is continuing to grow under the paint, just as it is doing in the showers. Our Colonel just made a round Friday Sept 27, 2024 at 9:00 am and was asking why the black stuff on the shower walls hasn't been scrubbed off? The officer came down and asked me. I told him, it's not on the wall, it's in the wall under the paint. We have mold under layer upon layer of paint, because instead of doing the right thing from the very beginning, and cleaning the mold off, the administration elected to paint over the top of the mold, to hide it from the American Correctional Association Auditor's. Now the only way to remove it, would be sandblasting the 24 showers located throughout this building. But even that is not going to do anything about the mold in the vents, back walls of the cells, and other locations in the building. This building is doomed! Just as R-dorm which has been sitting vacant here at UCI for the past 8 years awaiting legislative funding for demolition as a result of mold, P-dorm is on the same path. OSHA and other government agencies should be looking at the detrimental working and living conditions here in this building. The FDOC has ignored these problems, and just as of last week they began a project of sinking another \$100,000 into this building that hopefully will be sitting empty in 2025. For one thing is certain we are about to file a conditions suit on these issues and others dealing with the unconstitutionality of these and other horrific conditions. Issues that should have been raised in the 2017 suit, that turned out to be anything but a success! For had it been a success, these and other issues would have been dealt with instead of swept aside by our counsel, who should have amended this complaint in 2020 rather than settling it. But they were looking for an easy way out, rather than fixing the problem. Welcome to my world!

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