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To: Whom It May Concern

Re: Class-Action Lawsuit Addressing Staff Abuse of Prisoner Grievance System

Although petitioning for redress of grievances is a fundamental right guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution's First Amendment, California state prisoners routinely suffer various forms of unlawful infringement on this right by employees of the California Department of Corrections ("CDC").

On behalf of myself and all other California state prisoners, I want to initiate civil litigation under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 regarding the many law and rights violations we are regularly subjected to by CDC employees in relation to the prisoner grievance system.

Spanning several years, California state prisons, and types of issues common to all CDC prisoners, I have a plethora of chronological (cradle-to-grave) administrative grievance documentation evidencing a multitude of violations at every step and level by CDC employees of promulgated statutes within the California Code of Regulations, of which Title 15, Division 3, Chapter 1 sets forth the rights and duties owed to prisoners now required by Booth v. Churner (2001) 532 U.S. 731 (121 S.Ct.1819) to exhaust administrative remedies before allowed to raise claims concerning prison and prison conditions in federal court.

In light of Booth v. Churner, I feel that the right of California state prisoners to enjoy unimpeded access to the administrative grievance system---with full due process and equal protection of the law in so doing---should be vigorously defended so rampant law and rights violations ever occurring against prisoners within the media-proof walls of California prisons may receive judicial notice, intervention, and protection.

Thinking primarily at this time about injunctive relief only, I want to expose through civil litigation how the CDC prisoner grievance system has developed into a perfunctory, sham, and self-serving (for CDC) "remedy" which not only has been unrevised in nearly a decade despite widespread bureaucratic abuse and corruption in regard thereto, but also is manipulatively used every year by CDC to help justify a grossly bloated budget at the expense of California taxpayers.

I can prove gross systemic abuse by CDC employees of promulgated grievance regulations which is causing California state prisoners to suffer so much unlawful interference with their constitutional right to petition the government for redress of grievances that they are in effect being deprived of other constitutional rights and guarantees besides (e.g., to be afforded due process and equal protection of the law in petitioning for redress of grievances, court access, etc.).

The documentary evidence I possess demonstrates repeated violations as follows of promulgated administrative regulations and agency procedures governing CDC prisoner grievances:

Specific Acts --Regulation(s) Violated

- 1) Unlawfully returning/rejecting grievances based on false speculation that issues have no demonstrable adverse effect --CCR15 § 3024.1(a);