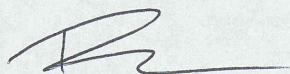


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THIS MAY BECOME THE FIRST OF SEVERAL ENTRIES I SUBMIT. AFTER BEING INCARCERATED FOR NEARLY TWENTY-TWO (22) YEARS I WILL SOON BE RELEASED FROM THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION. SO, I HAVE MUCH EXPERIENCE TO EXPOUND UPON.

I WANTED TO BEGIN MY SUBMISSIONS WITH A POINT ON EDUCATION. EVEN WITH ALL THE PROMOTION ABOUT REHABILITATION AND SELF-IMPROVEMENT/EMPOWERMENT FOR RE-ENTRY, OVER THE YEARS MUCH OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM THE INDIANA SYSTEM. ALTHOUGH I WAS GIVEN THE CHANCE TO EARN COLLEGE DEGREES, MY EDUCATIONAL PURSUITS WERE STYMIED BY D.O.C. BECAUSE IT IS AGAINST DEPARTMENT POLICY TO HAVE PRISONERS PARTICIPATING IN GRADUATE STUDIES; NOT ONLY ~~DIS~~ALLOWING THE DELIVERY OF A GRADUATE STUDIES PROGRAM BY STAFF BUT ALSO DENYING THE DELIVERY OF COURSES VIA USPS.

THIS REGULATION RESULTED IN MY GRADUATE DEGREE PURSUIT TO BE STOPPED AS I REACHED A FINAL COURSE AND THESIS PROJECT. IS THIS REALLY ENCOURAGEMENT FOR REFORMATION?



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