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Stuck Out Queer At Michael Unit

The past month, I have dealt with a lot of unnecessary drama. I was harassed by Sgt Oliver K Neal on 7 Bldg in front of his officer COV Glenda Anderson.

I take medication every afternoon. I work a double shift which consist of feeding lunch/dinner. Sgt Neal is ignorant to the fact that a queer black man has power. He has caused a lot of heat on the Michael Unit. He has served in the military and feels that he can be arrogant and cocky. Thus administration doesn't want to fire him. They giving this man a slap on the wrist. People don't feel comfortable working for him. 2 grievances have been filed by me. He had COV Benjamin Capps act dirty in the Lt's office. Control freaks get themselves into a lot of trouble.

The man has the audacity to say that I was out of place when I was at the pill window. Karma will come back to haunt him. This occurred Sept 6, 2017. The latest grievance was filed on 9/14/17. I quoted stuff in their handbook.

I have known military people that are well behaved. He is not a leader. He is a Donald Trump. He bullies inmates to the point that they get angry.

There is other staff that cause problems too. Let me address Sgt Misty Howley. She used to be okay when she worked on 8 Bldg Medium Custody. She has control issues.

She had the audacity to tell me on July 9 2017 that I can't put my books in the library box. Right there it shows that she is anti-queer, bigoted. Even Officer Jones can vouch and he doesn't feel comfortable with her. Why does staff want to hang around Misty Howley and Oliver Heat? Ariel Mosley told me that I shouldn't question her. I believe she hates queers too. A queer black man has every right to question authority. The inmates hate on her too. She shouldn't be allowed to get away with her shenanigans.

Chaplaincy on this unit is recalled for. Carlos Acpreste has acted arrogant and doesn't operate as a pastor should. He called me a "liar" twice. He doesn't like individuals that try to challenge him. The Church is corrupt. Carlos needs to stop causing drama.

Officer Ajala is another African who doesn't understand. He officer Ajayi and other Nigerians have an issue with communication. They are institutionalized also.

Recently, it has been hard to get my clothes exchange because there is no supervisor present. They are to run ~~schedule~~ out necessities between 12- Court time. On Wednesday I told a worker that I needed to get back to work and I didn't have time. They run necessities either while I am at the law library 5:30-8:30 AM or when I go to work. I work 10 hr days.

I had co-workers that defied the staff and got fired. These inmates might come back to prison.

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thus the workplace is slavery. They waste food. The blacks feel they can run the kitchen, pressuring others to do their dirty work. The whites are segregated along with the latinos. A lot of the latinos are in the scullery (dishroom). Blacks are either on the serving line, Sanitization, cooks. The kitchen commissary has more whites theres not open queers in the kitchen. The Officers Dining Room (ODR) has more whites. I plan on working in the kitchen until I discharge my sentence which is 9/1/2020.

I am usually exhausted after coming home. Some of my co-workers wont share food with me. They rather give it to their homeboys. The gangs still exist. Also some of the kitchen workers feel they can run over staff and other comrades. They houseplay too much for me and dont realize there's a cost. There is too many jokers in prison and not enough needs.

Needs are considered wastecast. On the Michael unit, we have separate housing for safekeeping. Many are part of the queer community. A lot of them have been on the similar road as me.

The weather patterns is crazy out here in East Texas. It is getting colder late at night and it is not even winter. Hurricane Harvey affected a lot of people. I am coughing, sneezing. I even

try to eat a watermelon and it still
won't go away. I have cut off pancakes
I had to do my best to stay healthy.
It is hard to rest a whole day due to
my work schedule. I have to eat something.
I should have never ate those casseroles
I am wanting to be at 140 lbs. I have gained
and lost weight over the years.

The kitchen produces a lot of starch.
There is an overweight epidemic. Many
inmates don't have a proper nutrition.
They don't do recreation daily. This unit
has had staff shortages to the point where
they feed inmates (sack lunch/dinner and
breakfast). They don't put enough inside.
Everyday I get blamed by comrades for
not putting enough food on their plate. Thus
they call it "shaking the spoon".

Also the unit is violating policy by not
providing proper ingress and egress
every hour. Dayroom time is open 7-10:30
Sun-Thurs 7-12 on Fri/Sat and holidays.
Why would the Michael Unit break DOJ
rules? If Bill Clinton came to the Michael
Unit he would probably have the unit shutdown.
This is the 30th anniversary of the unit.
Morale is down. There is no unity.

There is too many cliques. It is hard to fit in.
Being a quiet in prison is seen as weak. Many
misjudge you. I was told that I would burn
in hell. Why put your religious dogma down my
throat? They feel that they can accomplish
something. Many of the religious zealots didn't
pursue scholastic pursuits.

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They are one-sided individuals. Even the Head Chaplain Thomas Taylor admitted that he skims through the magazines. Why wouldn't you take time to read things? The religious might not want to stretch their brains out. It is all about helping individuals find their purpose. Not many inmates want to write. This is part of Society. One must take time to practice. It is not learned overnight. It is hard to sleep at night. The banging of the keys is annoying. The staff at night is mainly African at night. Many go to school during the day.

My intention is to finish all the way to my Ph.D. Every prison should have a Toastmasters. Toastmasters is a civic organization that gives individuals tools to be effective speakers. The #1 fear in America is public speaking. I served as Sgt at Arms from Oct 2015 - March 2016 while being an associate member from Nov 2014 - April 2016. I served in different roles. I was 3 speeches away from my competent communicator award. I had to bypass those who criticized me because I was queer.

On the Clemens Unit, I didn't go to church for 1 year. I had focused a lot on working in laundry.

This is allergy season out here. I can't get rid of this cold/cough. The medical department has you convinced to take

Claritin. Claritin doesn't work. I been
nicking/sniffing, etc for almost 2 weeks.
I am now trying to sort things out as
I am about to discharge my 10 year
sentence on 9/1/2020. I don't want to
parole because of cost. I am trying
to save the state money. I am tired
of being under the states watch.

I want to challenge the administration
to stop allowing STAFF to queer bash.
Prisons are still promoting slavery.
They wont even admit it. They still write
a case. I had a bogus case written
by field officer Clinton Y Ellis for not
walking backwards. and failure to pick
up the pace. It is like Bonanza, Resnate
and other western shows. I couldn't
survive field squad work.

I have tried to make a difference
during my time in prison. It is
still difficult.

I had some drama in the kitchen that occurred
on 9/13/17 involving a sexual assault. A
group of people were in the dining room when
this took place. I gotten into an altercation
Sunday 9/17/17. I was placed in lockup
and was briefed that the cameras were on.
I had undergone tests on 9/18/17, filed
paperwork and was approved to be shipped
off the unit 9/22/17. The guy was out of
line for attempting to pump me out to
other blacks. Form Still HSV/STD-