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The Fight is ON"

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Well I'm here at the LeBlanc unit in Beaumont Texas. one of around 700 plus inmates involved in the class action lawsuit, Cole vs. Collier which is now being handled by the Edwards Law Firm out of Austin Texas.

A little background on the case 1st started when a few inmates a pack I medical unit got together, talking about the unhumane conditions for inmates and guards at TDCJ. The litigators where in the craft shop together.

Now I first met them in 2011 at the Law Library. At that time they where talking about putting in a Federal writ 1983. Which they soon did and have had a lot of success. In early 2017 Judge Ellison made it a class action lawsuit. The Pack I also had to put in a new water filtration system. Because of the high levels of Arsenic in the water.

Then in August of 2017 the Judge ordered all heat sensitive inmates on Pack I to be moved to Air conditioning units in the TDCJ system.

ON August 10th I WAS MOVED
to stringfellow unit For college. I
had put in for it several years Ago
AND Finally gotten it Approved.

Started college to get my LCDC
License but on August 27th were
evacuated because of Hurricane. TDCJ
moved us to the Pack I unit
in NAVASOTA TEXAS. The Judge WAS
pissed AND Demanded we be moved
quickly. So now we sit At the
LeBLANC unit waiting on the outcome
of this case.

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