

ESSAY

My NAME IS Rufus Poindexter. I AM AN INMATE OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION BETTER KNOWN AS THE A.D.C. I BEEN INCARCERATED SINCE DECEMBER 26, 2006 SINCE I WAS SIXTEEN FOR A BANK ROBBERY WITH THREE OTHER MALES AND A SHOOT OUT I HAD WITH AN LRPD OFFICER WHO SHOT ME ONCE IN MY LOWER THIGH. I WAS CONVICTED OF ALL CHARGES AND GIVEN 28 YRS IN THE A.D.C. UNDER THE 70% PERCENT LAW. MY PAROLE DATE IS 2026 AND MY FLAT DATE IS 2034. I WAS SENT TO COMMINS UNIT FROM ANOTHER PRISON TO COMPLETE A SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAM KNOWN AS S.A.T.P. WHICH LAST FOR 6 MONTHS AT COMPLETION. SOME INMATES TAKE THE COURSE TO ENTER WORK RELEASE OR RE-ENTRY INQUIRIES, AND SOME, MOST ARE STIPULATED WHO HAVE DRUG CHARGES AND HAVE TO TAKE IT IN ORDER TO GO HOME.

Phase I.

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Phase one was issued ~~to~~ ~~to~~ ~~to~~ to lock down commins unit prison due to coronavirus break out. Rumor was spoken that one inmate came into the unit on a transfer and was positive for co-vic19 virus. And the administration accidentally let that inmate out from a cell and that's how the whole population end up contracting the virus. My whole pod was tested a couple weeks later and my covid test was negative for the virus. During the commins unit pandemic, it was terrible for inmates and officers, due to the fact that no inmates was allowed outside in the halls for no particular reason, nor was any job duties performed by any inmates inside the building except for the MOD unit which is located just outside of the main building.

But they also was to have no contact with the main prison. Our trays was being brought to us 15 hours apart, such as dinner would be served at 6:00 AM in the morning. Our commissary was out of stock for close to two months before a person could purchase a nice \$100 order. During phase I, close to 15-20 inmates ~~to~~ died who had contracted the virus during the phase one pandemic of the coronavirus. Now we are going back on Lock-Down due to Increase of the virus as the sickness rises in Arkansas prison. Phase II Begins on 6-29 / 6-30. Things have gotten back in order due to changes of wardens and other separations of social distances and help with the inmate population practice on how to survive during the indoor pandemic. Hopefully phase II is treated a lot differently from phase I which was not handled properly due to lack of concern from officers and staff in charge. Since then there has been no more riot or serious violence.

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