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Dear, Reader.

My name is Gordon Hendricks #1074448. I am an inmate of North Carolina state Prison.

I am 50 years old I am autistic (social disorder) I function very well for the most part. I have a severe nervous disorder associated with my autism.

My prison experience has been extremely challenging because the prison system is not set up for any kind of order and everything is constantly changing nothing is consistent and it is very confusing. For the most part prison staff are rude, hateful, always angry and screams and yells and uses profanity a lot. There are a few who try to be fair and just, but they are ridiculed by other staff members.

I am housed with other inmates who are extremely violent and almost everyone one of them are gang affiliated. And most are serving a sentence for a very violent offense.

I have had many incidents with other inmates some were worse than others. I have also been extorted and physically abused and assaulted by other inmates. I have also had a few incidents where I was sexually abused although these incidents are a few but they have caused me a lot of distress.

I have many grievances filed about "dangerous environment", "unsafe environment" and unfair housing assignments. I have wrote many letters to Prison admin about situations and I have never received a response.

I have also had incidents with officers. Everyone of them was officer incurred and officer at fault. I have also got two tort claims (lawsuits) on two separate officers for use of excessive force (assault). I have many grievances filed on each incident and I have many copies of written letters to Prison admin about the incidents and I have never received a reply on any of the letters.

I have also had staff false accuse me of wrong doings and I have been written up for them as well. I have been found guilty of them as well in a hearing even though the video evidence is on my side or the staff has no evidence at all. I have spent (6months) Six months in isolation Segregation for write-ups of behavior that I did not commit I was falsely accused by staff.

Some of my incidents with other inmates are caused by staff and where staff even ignored it happening as my Journals and grievances and letters that I have wrote and filed clearly states this fact and refers to video surveillance as record of evidence that shows I am telling the truth. But no one ever Pays any attention

to that fact when it favors an inmate, but they are quick to use it when it shows the inmate at fault.

I was demoted from medium custody to close custody in Nov, 2020. It was because of the fake write up's I was receiving from Prison staff. There were a lot of Conspiracy theories about the Prison bouncing inmates back to close custody from medium as this facility changes over to close custody and has to transfer medium out of this facility due to it happening a lot also about the fake write up's due to the fact that it cost each inmate ten dollars for each write up. (along with suspension of Privileges.)

I have suffered greatly due to my difficulties in coping and understanding life in prison with my social and nervous disorders.

I have also come along way as far as learning to ~~handle~~ handle spontaneous life and the constant changes of it in living in prison. I have learned to better handle myself in bad and stressing situations. I am able to communicate with people more than I ever have in my entire life. I still have fear of people but I can contain it better or at least a little more.

I have learned more about the law than I ever thought I

know or understand. I have learned how to write proper grievances and other documents. I have filed many hand written documents in Court that I would of never given any hope of understanding how to write it let alone file it in Court. Just a few years ago I was ignorant to.

I have been involved in high school since the beginning of 2017. I am really close to getting my diploma. I have had many bible courses and I understand it now more than I have ever did before.

Out of all this pain and unpleasant prison experience I know that I have changed for the better. Since I was forced to live this life style (prison) and through all of its dehumanizing tactics I have become more focused on what life means to me and what I want to do with everyday I have left on this planet. I want to help others through this experience who do not have anyone on the outside who really cares about them none should have to go through this alone with none on the outside to care about them the way I did.

I hope and pray that I have made a positive impression

on the reader of this letter. I tried to be as descriptive as possible without really getting into each incident and details. Prison is just not for people who have broke the law but it also catches people who get caught up in other peoples, problems, and issues and find themselves in places like this because of their poor choices and thinking. But I have become very aware of many good people in prison who did bad behaviours.

I know that I am now and always marked to the world as a convict, but I do not label myself as that and nor do I allow it to limit my thinking about what I can accomplish in life.

I thank you for your time to read this letter. I would enjoy any comments that you might have please feel free to contact me at the address at the end of this letter. (I would appreciate letters and someone to write me.)

Thanks again and GOD bless...

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