ELITE JUSTICE
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(SYSTEMIC RACISM WITHIN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM)

The Right Scowls at the Idea of Systemic Racism. They Consider it a Term of the Left. But if we consider LABELS, we see that people use these LABELS to discriminate against people. In law enforcement and the criminal justice system the elite use "the rap sheet", or a person's criminal history against people. I can testify to the fact that once there is a file on you; your life is ruined.

Marijuana and the drug war has been used to convict and felonize people, to place people in the felony label zone. I believe that we can all agree that to criminalize a person because they have a medical drug addiction is an abuse of the criminal justice system. These types of people have a medical/psychological problem that needs to be addressed by the medical community, not the criminal justice system. These people have enough problems without penalizing them further.

I would like to use my life as an example here. To show how the system labels and discriminates against people like me on the left.

I am a Caucasian/Native American. I am an 8th Cherokee. I was born in Texas, but raised in Marin County, California (the Bay Area). I consider myself a liberal. I was raised in a hippy family. I grew up in the 1970s.

Smoking marijuana was like smoking cigarettes for us back then.

I joined the California National Guard in 1981. I served two years in a San Jose, CA armory. I received my GED in Santa Clara county adult education. Then I moved to Texas.

Looking back it was maybe the worst mistake I have ever made. I didn't know anything
About politics back then. I had no idea what the "good old boy" system was.

I had gotten drunk one night and got into a fight with some shit kickers. Bleeding, I got a shotgun and fired into the air. I was charged with attempted murder of a police officer with a deadly weapon. Now remember I was in the Texas National Guard now. I was able to get my charge reduced to firing a shotgun in the city limits (Grapevine, TX). There were no police even near me when I fired the shotgun.

Now here was the catch. I was charged with attempted murder of a police officer, but it was dropped. I never thought about that again until I saw my rap sheet in 2004 when I tried to get my name changed back from an old stepfather's name.

For twenty years, since 1984, I had that attempted murder of a police officer charge on my record. Every time I tried to get a good job, no dice! It is still on my record even now. I'm no lawyer. The lawyers are the elite in America. I never knew that I could get that charge expunged.

I have been systematically discriminated against my whole life for a crime I did not commit. Within a few months of being on unadjudicated probation the Texas National Guard fired me for the smallest infraction. My whole life I've been fighting a uphill battle. I never realized until recently how much that label destroyed my life.

I rationalize today that this is just the hateful world that we live in. I see discrimination and hate on a daily basis in Texas prison. Texas prison guards are trained to ignore the humanity of the prisoners that they supervise.
I HAVE FIVE TCJ NUMBERS. NOW I'M NOT TRYING TO SHOW OUT HERE. I ONLY WANT PEOPLE TO REALIZE THAT THIS REPRESENTS FIVE TIMES THAT I HAVE TRIED TO WORK TO GET MY LIFE BACK TO AN EVEN KEEL. EVERY TIME I TRIED TO APPLY FOR A RECENT JOB, I DID NOT GET IT; BECAUSE OF MY CRIMINAL HISTORY. HOWEVER, IT STARTED WITH THAT FIRST CHARGE THAT WAS DROPPED, BUT RETAINED ON MY CRIMINAL HISTORY.

TEXAS HAS RECENTLY PASSED A LAW WHERE EMPLOYERS CAN NOT ASK ABOUT CRIMINAL HISTORY ON EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS NOW. BUT STILL ANYONE CAN DO A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK. I REALLY DO NOT HOLD ANY HOPE THAT OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM CAN BE REVAMPED.

WHEN RUSSIA (THE USSR) FELL, THE UNITED STATES FOUND A NEW ENEMY. IT'S OWN POPULATION. SINCE THEN THE US HAS WEAPONIZED IT'S LAW ENFORCEMENT ARMS TO PERSECUTE THEIR OWN POPULATION. THE FACTS SHOW THAT WE WILL ALWAYS HAVE HATE AND DISCRIMINATION WITHIN OUR SOCIETY. RACISM AND CLASSISM CAN ONLY BE REMEDIED WITH SOCIAL CHANGE. FOR CAPITALISM IS A HOLDOVER FROM THE FEUDALISTIC SYSTEM. A FEUDALISTIC SYSTEM IS INHERENTLY IMPERIALISTIC IN NATURE. SO MUCH FOR SELF-DETERMINATION, WHEN OTHER PEOPLE CAN DETERMINE YOUR PATH WITH A WEAPONIZED CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM.