

My NAME is MARK LATIMER AND I wish to inform you how I feel about civilly committing sex offenders after their prison sentences. Our Constitution is totally against preventive detention and that is what civil commitment is. I believe preventive detention is UNAMERICAN, UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND NOTHING BUT DOUBLE JEOPARDY. It's the first step in making a COMMUNIST police state. Tell me - how is it possible to predict whether or not someone MIGHT commit a future crime? How constitutional is it to use MIGHT as evidence in court? It's only a Theory that all or most of the sex offenders released from prison will commit new crimes. So how constitutional is it to imprison a person for life on a UNPROVEN Theory? Do you know that the people of our country are now calling these civil commitment centers - SHADOW PRISONS. I think that's a very good name for them. I think of these SHADOW PRISONS as a AMERICAN GUANTANAMO BAYS. The AMERICAN gulag system. Window Dressing for a slow motion death camp by old age. I believe the legislators that made these civil commitment laws were fed junk science, false information, manipulated with obviously deliberate deception and are dishonestly turning crimes into alleged mental health diagnoses. Legitimate psychological treatment shouldn't last longer than 2 years. Why does treatment at these SHADOW PRISONS last 20 or more years? The fact nobody ever completes treatment makes these civil sentences punitive. I believe the civil commitment states are committing SANE individuals which is UNCONSTITUTIONAL. If the civilly committed suffer from such

abnormality that they lack control of their behavior, then how does the states criminally convict them in criminal court after they been civilly committed? Actual treatment of the civilly committed is what separates commitment from punishment + incarceration. I wish to THANK you your honor for your time and I hope you or your court can close these shadow prisons. HAVE A NICE day.

Sincerely
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