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U.S.S.C.

RE: First Step Act intentions and reality

Dear Commissioner Reeves;

Nice to know there will be a quorum again. Welcome aboard; I have comments in regard to the 2022-23 Amendments.

Would you please, please get together with the new BOP Director Colette Peters, so that your staff can produce a training video for the 36,697 Federal Correctional Officers, none of whom are aware of who qualifies for what in The First Step Act Which jobs they should give credits for; and if they do know, there has been no training on how to enter credits into yet again, a new assessment tool. One more new system to learn on the computer. This has been causing havoc.

Unit Managers and Case Workers alike are baffled and therefore, during the past four years when we thought the First Step Act would be lowering the incarceration rate; it has only frustrated the families of Inmates who are trying to get home with less time. And Inmates who are doing the next right thing but it's not getting any credit!

This produces extremely inaccurate, and misconceiving documentation going places such as:

Elizabeth Oyer's office, the new Pardon Attorney. How can she nominate anyone for Commutation, if she doesn't see that they are participating in personal growth, staying out of trouble, chalking up the First Step Act credits! etc.

Mis-information gets into the hands of Prosecuting Judges or Appeals Panels, for post-conviction relief, filing of §18 USC 3582, or 2255.

And the most egregious of all:

The Federal Bureau Of Prisons; Designation and Sentencing Commutation Center. Imagine being sent to a maximum security, violent overcrowded

Federal penitentiary, where your life is in danger; because your case manager didn't know how to input all your First Step Act credits, even after the Special Investigating Officer, who investigated your brutal stabbing attack, told your case mgr. the paper file showed good behavior and lots of credits; make sure he is sent to a lower security facility, closer to home. Because they are not trained, you get sent 1,587 miles further from home and to another life threatening, U.S. Penitentiary.

My name is Shyer Maguire,

I am a provocateur trying to advocate for Tower Garden® farms in all institutions of confinement.

I am writing a book titled "Waiting Behind the Wire" It's about me on this side of the 6 feet of razor-wire, and my son is writing his part.

Please bring the facts of a case back to the forefront, and bury the categorical approach which did nothing for equal sentencing, and everything to create more incarceration.

Sincerely,

Shyer Maguire

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