

Wednesday,
29th April,
2020

Greetings,

I do hope all is well with each of you at the Prison University Project / Mrs. Tamalpais College and that hugh number of people on the outside who are trying to figure out how to help us. I hope all of you will be C/19 virus free.

Let me say once again, thank you all for the gifts in the plastic ZIPlock bag. As I was re-reading the newsletter that was sent, I became Aware of what you said - As an organization, we're helping to organize support for people coming home, while also working to keep attention focused on conditions inside, including the need for things like cleaning supplies, masks, yardtime, etc. California Code of Regulations, Title 15, Article 5, Section 3060 says: Institutions will provide the means for all inmates to keep themselves and their living quarters clean and to practice good health habits, and Section 3064 says: Inmates must keep their quarters and surroundings, neat, clean and sanitary.

When I first got here at San Quentin back in 1992, I was given my own cleaning equipment (toilet brush, sponge, scouring pad, and a whisk-broom) and the tier officer would pass out a cleaning powder detergent and liquid bleach so we could clean and disinfect our sinks, toilets, floors, etc. I was told that this was the way it was before I arrived at San Quentin. Then one day the prison stopped giving out cleaning equipment and put a bucket with cleaning equipment in it for everyone on the tier to use to clean their cell. Then the prison took away the cleaning detergent and liquid bleach and replaced it with a product called Cell Block 64.

Now the E.P.A. has classified this product as a Pesticide, and the Signal word is: **DANGER!** This product/chemical is corrosive, causes

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irreversible eye damage, and is harmful if inhaled. The information tells what type of eye and face protection to use, and what to use for skin protection, plus it states what to wear for body protection, plus for respiratory protection if ventilation is not sufficient to control exposure to below the allowable limits, then an approved air-purifying respirator must be used.

I filed a 602 Administrative Appeal, and the First Level was denied, then the Second Level got denied, so I then sent it to the Third Level in Sacramento somewhere around January 01, 2020, and I still have not heard from them as of today. I have been told by other people, that since I have not heard back from the 3rd level, that I have won my appeal by silent Acquiescence. If anyone in your organization or anyone in that huge number of people who are trying to figure out how to help, I sure could use some help from an attorney/lawyer/paralegal to help me with this pesticide (Cell Block 64) problem, so it can be replaced with a good cleaning detergent and liquid bleach to sanitise our cells, and the cleaning equipment.

It is okay to use my letters on your website and e-mail messages, all I ask is that you do not use my name and CDCR number, for I wish to be anonymous.

Sincerely,

