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**Sent:** Wednesday, December 28, 2022 11:07 AM  
**To:** LCB Legal <[LCBLegal@lcb.state.nv.us](mailto:LCBLegal@lcb.state.nv.us)>  
**Subject:** Submission for 28 Dec 2022 Meeting

RE: Prison Issues of Importance: Credits/GoodDays Errors and Food  
1 year extra in prison because of calculation errors?

a) Costing us how much?

b) How long has it taken to implement the 11 Feb 2022 Sisolak/USDOJ Agreement on persons  
with disabilities receiving the days that they are supposed to receive... nearly 2 years? Why?

Please read this urgent message and consider how we can resolve these issues affecting an  
unknown number of human lives in mass incarceration in our state.

Thank you for all you do to help others.

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AFFIDAVIT OF: LAUSTEVEION JOHNSON

STATE OF NEVADA } ss:

COUNTY OF CARSON )

I, Lausteveion Johnson, the undersigned, do hereby swear that all the following statements are true and correct, to the best of my own knowledge and of my own volition.

1. I am over 18-years of age, I reside at NNCC (Northern Nevada Correctional Center), 1721 E. Snyder Ave, Carson City, NV. 89701. I am fully competent to make this affidavit and I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein.

2. That for the past 2-months, NNCC culinary has been issuing me NOTHING, except rotten oranges every single day, for the fruit portions of my Common FARE meals (Religious Diet). That the oranges and Apples are so rotten that the oranges smell like Alcohol and the Apples are BLACK inside. These fruits are a significant portion of my meals. This depletes my meals when I'm already being "shorted" as is.

3. As it relates to The ADA SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, reached between The United States of America and The State of Nevada

EX REL. NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

DJ NO. 204-46-176.

- (1) I am currently only still incarcerated due to NDOC prison officials refusal to issue me my ADA (Americans With Disabilities Act) work days and program days, in violation of the above mentioned Settlement Agreement,
- (2) That I have a physical disability as it relates to my knees and back. I have atrophy and arthritis in my knees and back, which limits my daily activities as it respects to climbing, bending, lifting, standing for long periods of time.
- (3) My disability limits the type of jobs that I can get but NDOC makes NDOC prisoners work the most physically challenging jobs first, before going into less physically challenging jobs.
- (4) The most physically challenging jobs are kitchen and yard labor, which are jobs that I'm physically incapable of working.
- (5) Do to me know being able to work the physically challenging jobs and being placed on waiting list for less physically challenging jobs, NDOC has taking 280 days from me in work days since 5/1/19. Which has moved my release day/date from 4/1/22 to 5/19/23. In violation of Section 20a, of the above mentioned Settlement Agreement Due to NDOC'S



Refusal to comply with the above mentioned Settlement Agreement, I have to serve an Extra Year in prison.


(c) In addition, I was in the Phoenix Program @ Warm Springs Correctional Center, from 8/21/21 - 12/2/21. I excelled in the program, until I was Terminated from the Phoenix Program and write-up on 10/6/21 and 11/10/21 for my Physical Disability I was written up on 10/6/21 & 11/10/21 for me NOT being able to physically climb to the Top Bunk. Though the write ups were both Dismissed, I was Terminated and 280-days were taken from me / deprived me in Violation of Section ~~D~~ of the above mentioned Settlement Agreement.

(d) From 1/7/22 - to the present date NVCC Prison officials, Henley, Hartman, Wandra Walker, Agle, Barazza, etc. have all stated that "They do NOT know who The ADA Compliance Officer is in NVCC/Nevada," to ensure that NVCC officials are complying with the above mentioned Settlement Agreement. ~~It~~ I don't believe that an ADA Compliance Officer was even appointed because even though NVCC is a "Medical Facility," the only Medical Facility in NVCC, NVCC staff completely ignore ADA issues and they are NOT

adhering to the above mentioned Settlement Agreement

(8) I've repeatedly since 11/2/22 ~~tried~~ to get NDUC and NICE staff/prison officials to issue me my ADA - Good days. And these Prison officials repeatedly said that, "I am not entitled to work days, as an ADA prisoner unless I am actually working." That it doesn't matter if I am on a waiting list. In Violation of "Section 20a", of Said Settlement Agreement.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this document is executed without benefit of a notary pursuant to NRS. 208.165 and/or 28 U.S.C.A Section 1796 as I am a prisoner in State custody.

DATED this 26<sup>TH</sup> Day of October, 2022. BY 

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**From:** Mercedes Maharis [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 28, 2022 5:27 PM  
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**Subject:** Re: Submission for 28 Dec 2022 Meeting

RE: Typo Correction for 28 Dec 2022 Submission

NOTE: 11 Feb 2021 Sisolak/USDOJ Agreement,  
not 11 Feb 2022.  
I apologize.

In addition and in closing, mass incarceration is a failed social experiment,  
in my opinion.

Allowing the Nevada Department of Corrections to go  
uncertified to minimum standards, has been a grave error, costing us  
untold prison residents' mental and physical damage... and too many  
lives through the years... now with a spike in suicides among younger individuals.

So sad all this. If you can do anything, please do so to require certification  
to standards this 2023 legislature. This will establish some order in a now  
dysfunctional system that continues to hurt, not rehabilitate lives.

Peace for us all in 2023... if only...

A sincere thank you for all you are doing to help others.  
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