

For your information, NV CURE has been organized and is currently in the process of obtaining its' 501(3(c)) status with the IRS. As a state chapter of a national prisoner rights group, NV CURE would very much like a place at the table with this commission, therefore NV CURE requests that a NV CURE board member serve on the commission as a prisoner rights representative.

We believe that we have much to offer this commission. We can provide a differing perspective which has previously been missing from the discussion in prior ACAJ meetings. We hope to work with this commission as well as the Department of Corrections, the Parole Board and Parole and Probation to find common sense solutions to the issues that have surfaced through our communication with prisoners.

Additionally, NV CURE has the following questions for:

**Department of Corrections**

1. What is being done to stop staff from abusing of prisoners? (use of excessive force)
2. What is being done to stop the double celling of prisoners in administrative and disciplinary segregation? (You might mention the killing of forced cell partners by Potter and Palliota).
3. What is being done by the NDOC to stop double celling of general population prisoners at ESP and HDSP?
4. What is being done to improve the medical treatment provided to prisoners? (We have information that 3 prisoners have gone blind from lack of insulin shots)
5. What is being done to stop the feeding of prisoners "bag lunches"? (Old slimy meat of an unidentifiable type)
6. What is being done to remove the restriction on prisoners in administrative segregation and disciplinary segregation from receiving reading materials from the library?
7. What has the NDOC done to correct the computer "glitch" that occurred in 2007 resulting in erroneous information being included in prisoners' files?
8. Who is in charge of the Offenders Store Fund? How can NV CURE obtain the records to ensure that the money collected is being used as legislatively mandated under NRS 209.221?

**Parole Board**

1. Does the Parole Board performs a "quasi-judicial function"? If yes, please specifically identify the quasi-judicial function.
2. Should prisoners have a "right" to parole?

3. Should prisoners be entitled to all essential "due process procedural protections" in connection with parole hearings?
4. How many employees does the Parole Board have, how much is the Board's yearly budget and should the Parole Board be eliminated?

### **Parole and Probation**

1. What do Parole Officers do to assist a released parolee re-integrate into the community?
2. What do Parole Officers do to help recently released parolees find housing, jobs, clothing, food, or medical care?
3. What are the total number of employees, and how much is the yearly budget of Parole & Probation?

NV CURE requests that these questions be answered by the respective departments prior to the next ACAJ meeting so that we can disseminate the information to our members, and comment at the next meeting if needed.

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