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Testimony:

to: correction advisor committee

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I been in prison for over 20 yrs. mostly a model inmate. I want to give testimony as to a part of prison conditions that doesn't get much attention. that is CT doc disciplinary procedure. it's corrupt, unethical and unconstitutional abusive. and the ct obuds, supposedly an independent review office, doesn't have the motivation to rectify documented violations during prisoners' discipline proceedings.

Besides life, health and medical, prison disciplinary issues are significant due to the fact that it affects ppl's liberty, freedom. The outcome of a misconduct hearing can and will be used against prisoners at parole hearings. The parole board will almost certainly give credibility to any negative misconduct report.

My story is an example of this process. On four (4) separate occasions I was given misconduct reports for allegedly possessing contraband (drugs). Either DOC staff fabricated testing or the test was a false positive. I don't know, the evidence was withheld from me. However lab tests later confirmed the substance or material was not drugs! I lost my tickets at a hearing. and the tickets are still on my record for parole to review.

Instead of focusing on rehabilitation efforts and showing remorse for my actions at my parole hearing, I have to litigate and explain these misconduct reports.

The CT ombuds doesn't do independent review of discipline proceedings. I contacted the ombuds and received a receipt stating a review will be conducted and sent to me a conclusion. I also spoke with the ombuds in person. I was told by attorney ward that "doc said my issue was supported by evidence" without disclosing the evidence. No independent review based on documentation.

I'm requesting the following:

- 1) confirmation drug testing. if prisoners dispute a contraband report then it should be a right to send it for confirmation lab testing. such as with positive urine test prisoners have a right to send it to lab. But if prisoners possess alleged drugs they have no right to send to lab although prisoner can face criminal charges.
- 2) the ombuds office should have a part in all disciplinary proceedings as either advisors, hearing officers or oversight of appeals.
- 3) and I'm still seeking investigation and independent review of my case.