

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Robert A. Duvall
Assistant County Attorney

DATE: July 23, 1986

Fred Crawford

SUBJECT: North Dade Detention Center
"Lighting"

FROM: FRED CRAWFORD, Director
Dade County Corrections &
Rehabilitation Department

Pursuant to your memorandum dated May 27, 1986, reference "D.O.C. v. M.D.C.", you correctly stated that we have been dialoging with the State Department of Corrections on this issue.

I indicated in our April 10, 1986, response to the deficiencies cited at the above facility (see attached - page 2, #3), that we would be trying to identify funds for the purpose of purchasing and installing additional lighting in the cited areas of that facility.

I have been advised that we have been able to redirect funds from this fiscal year's (FY 85/86) budget to accomplish this project. The work order has just recently been placed and the amount of time that will be needed is not expected to exceed one hundred and twenty (120) days.

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Attachment

cc: Sara Heatherly ✓
Captain Willie Hueston ✓

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TO: Fred Crawford
Corrections and Rehabilitation

DATE: May 27, 1986

SUBJECT:
D.O.C. v. M.D.C.

FROM: Robert A. Duvall
Assistant County Attorney

Attached please find a copy of some recent correspondence which I received from Michael Bist, attorney in the above-referenced case. Obviously, you have already had some correspondence with D.O.C. as to this matter. In the second paragraph, he requests a written commitment and time period within which we can correct the lighting deficiency. While I am not particularly concerned about his adding this matter to the pending case, it seems relatively minor and if it can be corrected within a reasonable time frame we should of course do so. Please advise.


Assistant County Attorney

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Re: Dade County North Dade Detention Center

Dear Robert:

The inspection of the North Dade Detention Center on February 13, 1986 noted several citable violations of Chapter 33-8, Florida Administrative Code. While the corrective action plan filed by Mr. Fred Crawford on April 10, 1986 denotes corrective action taken with regard to these deficiencies, the inadequate lighting in the confinement cells and cells in cell-block A-F remains uncorrected. Mr. Crawford has stated that he is attempting to identify the funding that will be necessary for upgrading the lighting.

My client has directed me to request the County to provide a written commitment and time period within which the inadequate lighting in these areas will be corrected. This deficiency has existed for over one year, and absent some commitment from the County, my client will have no recourse but to add this matter to the pending jail litigation.

I appreciate your prompt response to this matter and would hope, that at least with regard to this lighting issue, we can avoid additional litigation.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Bistler

Michael P. Bist

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Some of the early indications from the on-going Productivity Analysis study indicates that there are some things that can be initiated immediately without waiting for the study to be completed. One of these, the mailing out of inmate property, is currently nearing the implementation stage. It is expected that once the volume of inmate property is reduced, then a more complete and accurate accounting of all inmate property will become feasible. It is now anticipated that this study, which is being conducted concurrently with other studies, will be completed within ninety (90) days. A projected schedule for implementation of the resulting recommendations will be prepared at that time.

3. DEFICIENCY: "Inadequate lighting in confinement cells and cells in cell block A-F. 33-8.05(9)(b)(1); 10D-7.07(2)."

RESPONSE: The corrective action for upgrading the lighting in the confinement cells has been completed.

We are currently trying to identify the funding that will be necessary for upgrading the lighting in cells A-F. If we are not able to identify funds from the current budget, then new funds will be available after October 01, 1986.

4. DEFICIENCY: "Visiting records do not consistently include the visitor's relationship to the prisoner. 33-8.09(5)(c)."

RESPONSE: The Facility Supervisor advises that on those occasions when he discovers such an error he orders corrective action. We shall continue to strive to include all required information in all cases.

5. DEFICIENCY: "Double decked bunks in the trusty housing area are not spaced at least 36" laterally or end to end. 33-8.05(1); 10D-7.07(3)."

RESPONSE: This Department is currently seeking application for a waiver of this proviso of Chapter 10D-7.07(3) F.A.C. with the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. This Department will keep your Department apprised of all such efforts.

However, in the interim we have eliminated the single instance that was found to be in violation of the cited standard(s).