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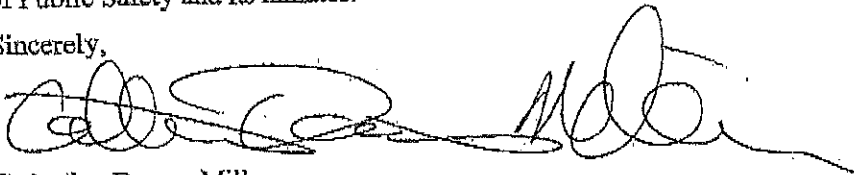
To the Assistant Section Chief,

We are in receipt of Ms. Fay Lassiter's letter dated December 16, 2013 notifying us of the disapproval of one of our publications for receipt by the inmate it was addressed to. The letter does not specify which inmate the newsletter was addressed to. The reason given is "Code D" (regarding page 4 of our publication, a copy of which is enclosed).

Please review this decision, which I believe may be a result of a very brief skimming of the material. The letter which triggered the disapproval is from an inmate who considers violence against another inmate. The response, provided by our founder, convincingly explains why that violence would be wrong, and would lead to bad consequences for the potential perpetrator. We believe that this publication can help reduce violence in prisons, not by avoiding the mention of such violence, but by discouraging it in a powerful way.

Our materials are in the best interests of the NC Department of Public Safety. We distribute thousands of books every month to inmates all over the country, including the NC prison system. The feedback we get from staff, inmates, and family members is that our materials effectively encourage inmates to work toward true rehabilitation. Please help us clear up this disapproval so that we can best continue to serve the NC Department of Public Safety and its inmates.

Sincerely,



Catherine Dumas Miller
for the Human Kindness Foundation Board of Directors