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CASE: STATE VS Billy Lee Oatney C962556CR
TO ATTORNEY: John P. Manning
DATE: 12 February 1997
RE: Valerie Stewart

Ms Stewart is legal counsel for the Federal Corrections district involving Tucson and Lompoc. She is the individual through whom we have to go for consent to speak to staff members, and for admittance and contact with these two institutions.

Through Ms Stewart I found that inmates' cell-mate information is not kept by the institutions any longer than 90 days after they have been moved. In other words, as I understood it, if I were living within cell block E of a particular housing unit, for three years, and you were in that unit a year with me, once you or I were moved to cell block D, even though a year later, there would be no record of you or I having ever been in E block beyond 90 days of the move.

Ms Stewart reasonably suggested that there are simply too many hundreds of prisoners a month to keep such detailed records for any lengthy period of time beyond the individual records already kept in each inmate's personal files.