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RE: Disapproved Publication

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in response to your letter written May 19, 2019 and received in our office on May 20, 2019, regarding a disapproved publication notice from the Publication Review Committee.

Under Lock & Key was disapproved by the Publication Review Committee due to violation of policy D. 0109 (f)-**The Warden/Superintendent or Deputy/Assistant Superintendent should disapprove a publication for receipt and possession by inmates and forward it to the Publication Review Committee for final action if the publication can be reasonably documented to contain the following: Threats to institutional safety and security include but are not limited to materials which depict, describe or advocate (H) violence against any ethnic, racial or religious group or which reasonably appears likely to provoke or to precipitate a violent confrontation between the recipient or recipients of any other inmate in possession of same and a member or members of the target group.** The excerpts were identified on pages 1, 2, 5, and 6 of the publication. The committee's decision was mailed to you on April 24, 2019 explaining the violation per NCDPS policy.

The disapproval notification also stated you are afforded 15 days after receipt of the notification to obtain an independent review of the Publication Review Committee's decision. We provided you with the point of contact information as provided below:

Director of Support Services-NCDPS  
4260 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-4260

In conclusion, the committee adhered to the NCDPS policy relative to the Review of Publications Received or Possessed by Inmates. Notifications to the inmate as well as the publisher were maintained per policy requirements.

Sincerely,

Darcell Carter, Regional Operations Manager I  
Inmate Correspondence Review Committee

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