

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION

PRISON LEGAL NEWS,)	
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Plaintiff,)	CIVIL ACTION FILE
)	
v.)	NO. 1:07-CV-2618-CAP
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FULTON COUNTY, GA and)	
SHERIFF MYRON FREEMAN,)	
Individually and in his official)	
Capacity as Fulton County Sheriff)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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**JOINT MOTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED CHANGES TO FULTON COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT JAIL BUREAU POLICIES AND PROCEDURES 3000-01**

COME NOW, the parties in the above-styled case, by and through their undersigned counsel, and move this Honorable Court to approve changes to the Fulton County Sheriff's Department Jail Bureau Policies and Procedures Number 3000-01 ("Mail Policy"), as attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

On February 4, 2008, the Court ordered Defendants Fulton County, Georgia and Sheriff Myron Freeman ("Defendants") to enforce the Mail Policy currently in place and to notify the Plaintiff and the Court should it make any change in the new mail policy. Defendants have notified Plaintiff of proposed changes to the Mail Policy. Plaintiff and Defendants have agreed that the provisions of the policy having to do with the

receipt and processing of publications are constitutional.

Consequently, parties respectfully move the Court to find the portions of the Mail Policy attached hereto as Exhibit "A" having to do with the receipt and processing of publications constitutional. A proposed order is attached as Exhibit "B."

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of May, 2008.

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

I hereby certify that the foregoing **JOINT MOTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED CHANGES TO FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT JAIL BUREAU POLICIES AND PROCEDURES 3000-01** has been prepared in 12 point Courier New font and complies with Local Rule 5.1 and 7 and that on this day, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system.

This 9th day of May, 2008.

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EXHIBIT A



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Approving Authority Signature:		Review: Annually

I. Purpose

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III. Scope

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A. General Guidelines

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5. Incoming and outgoing mail shall not be held for more than twenty (24) hours and

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8. If an inmate's mail is censored or rejected, the inmate and sender shall be notified of the reason(s) for the action. Inmates and the sender shall have the opportunity to appeal such decisions by submitting their appeal to the Inmate Grievance Division of the Legal Affairs Bureau.
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4. An *Incident Report* shall be written if contraband is found in privileged mail. The sender shall be notified by the Chief Jailer or designee that the contraband has been seized. If contraband is seized, the seizing staff member shall promptly deliver it to the watch commander for determination of appropriate action(s). The chain of custody shall be properly maintained.
5. Contraband that is legal outside correctional institutions shall be returned to the sender unless perishable. Perishables shall be discarded.
6. Outgoing privileged mail shall not be opened, but may be held for a reasonable time not to exceed seventy-two (72) hours pending verification that is properly addressed to a person or agency, which fall under the privilege category (judges, the courts, etc.).

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 - d. The mail consists of activity violating jail rules and regulations;
 - e. The mail is in code; or
 - f. The mail contains information that, if communicated, would create a clear and present danger of violence and physical harm to humans.
3. The Chief Jailer or designee shall inspect outgoing mail suspected of containing security threats or contraband. The Chief Jailer or designee shall initiate a formal investigation, and the evidence shall be processed in accordance with *SOP 10.3, Property and Evidence*.
 4. Outgoing mail will be collected once a day by staff, and is delivered to the Post Office daily except for weekends and holidays.

F. Incoming Mail

1. Mail shall not be held for more than twenty-four (24) hours, excluding weekends and holidays.
2. Incoming mail shall be monitored to determine any escape attempts, security or other rule violations or a conspiracy to introduce contraband into the facility.
3. Postal money orders received through the mail shall be taken to the inmate for signature. The money order will then be posted to the inmate's account, and the inmate shall receive a receipt for the transaction.
4. Money orders for inmates housed in jail annexes [Bellwood, etc.], shall have their money orders stamped "**For Deposit Only.**" posted to their account, and the inmate shall receive a receipt for the transaction.
5. All incoming inmate mail shall be matched with the inmate's booking number and housing location before delivery. When mail is returned to the Post Office because the addressee is not in custody at the Fulton County Jail, the exterior of the item of mail shall be stamped with a notice that the addressee is no longer in custody prior to its return to the Post Office.
6. Certified or registered mail is also picked up by the mail staff. Certified and registered mail is processed in the same manner as all other incoming mail.
7. An *Incident Report* shall be written by mail room staff if contraband is discovered in incoming mail. The Chief Jailer shall be notified, and the processing of evidence shall be in accordance with *SOP 10.03, Property and Evidence Control*. The sender shall be notified regarding the discovery of contraband and the mode of notifying the sender shall

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depend on the nature of the seized contraband, i.e., letter, phone call, etc. Notification may be deferred if deemed appropriate in the course of a further investigation of the circumstances.

8. Contraband that is legal outside of correctional institutions shall be returned to the sender unless perishable. Perishables shall be disposed.
9. A log of all registered, insured and certified mail shall be maintained by Mail Room staff.

G. Rejection of Mail

1. Inmates shall be notified via *Rejected Mail Notification Form* when incoming or outgoing mail is rejected. The sender shall be notified if incoming mail is rejected via a *Rejected Mail Notification Form*. If mail is rejected, the inmates and the sender shall have twenty (20) days from either the date of the issuance or date of the mailing of the *Rejected Mail Notification Form*, whichever is later, within which to appeal from the decision to reject the mail. The rejected mail shall be retained by the Jail during that twenty (20) day period. The rejected mail shall be returned to the sender unless an appeal is timely made. In the event that an appeal is received, the rejected mail shall be retained at the Jail pending review. In the case of an appeal by either the inmate or sender, if the rejection of mail is sustained by the Inmate Grievance Division of the Legal Affairs Bureau, then the rejected material shall be returned to the sender.
2. Reasons for rejection of mail may include, but are not limited to:
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H. Returned Mail Procedures

1. Inmate mail returned by the Post Office due to insufficient postage or an incorrect address shall be returned to the inmate.
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I. Publications

1. Books (soft cover only), magazines, and newspapers may be received **ONLY** if shipped directly from the publisher or from a distributor. Hard cover books will not be received, regardless of the source.

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2. Books, magazines, and newspapers for inmates shall not be accepted via the mail from any other source. Copies of books or publications, etc., shall not be accepted.
3. Inmates may also obtain publications from the Perusal Library.
4. Each inmate may retain no more than a total of four (4) soft-covered reading materials in their cell, e.g., two (2) magazines and two (2) books.

Note: Dictionaries, religious publications, other prior approved program books, and non-profit organization publications are not included in this total.

5. Inmates are not permitted to accumulate printed materials, or other mail, as this may pose a fire hazard.

J. Packages

All packages shall be inspected for contraband.

VI. Review

This policy shall be reviewed at least annually.

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This matter is before the Court on the Court's February 4, 2008 Order requiring Defendants Fulton County, Georgia and Sheriff Myron Freeman ("Defendants") to enforce the Fulton County Sheriff's Department Jail Bureau Policies and Procedures Number 3000-01 ("Mail Policy") currently in place and notify Plaintiff and the Court should it make any change in the new mail policy. Defendants have notified Plaintiff of proposed changes to the Mail Policy. Plaintiff and Defendants have agreed that the provisions of the policy having to do with the receipt and processing of publications are constitutional. Having reviewed same, the Court hereby finds that the portions of the Mail Policy attached hereto as Exhibit "A" having to do

with the receipt and processing of publications are constitutional. Defendants are hereby directed to enforce the Mail Policy, as revised, beginning thirty days from the date of this Order.

SO ORDERED, this _____ day of _____, 2008.

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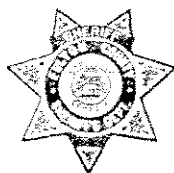
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Note: Dictionaries, religious publications, other prior approved program books, and non-profit organization publications are not included in this total.

5. Inmates are not permitted to accumulate printed materials, or other mail, as this may pose a fire hazard.

J. Packages

All packages shall be inspected for contraband.

VI. Review

This policy shall be reviewed at least annually.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION

PRISON LEGAL NEWS,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	CIVIL ACTION FILE
)	
v.)	NO. 1:07-CV-2618-CAP
)	
FULTON COUNTY, GA and)	
SHERIFF MYRON FREEMAN,)	
Individually and in his official)	
Capacity as Fulton County Sheriff)	
)	
Defendants.)	
)	

JOINT CONSENT ORDER APPROVING PROPOSED CHANGES TO FULTON COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT JAIL BUREAU POLICIES AND PROCEDURES 3000-01

This matter is before the Court on the Court's February 4, 2008 Order requiring Defendants Fulton County, Georgia and Sheriff Myron Freeman ("Defendants") to enforce the Fulton County Sheriff's Department Jail Bureau Policies and Procedures Number 3000-01 ("Mail Policy") currently in place and notify Plaintiff and the Court should it make any change in the new mail policy. Defendants have notified Plaintiff of proposed changes to the Mail Policy. Plaintiff and Defendants have agreed that the provisions of the policy having to do with the receipt and processing of publications are constitutional. Having reviewed same, the Court hereby finds that the portions of the Mail Policy attached hereto as Exhibit "A" having to do

with the receipt and processing of publications are constitutional. Defendants are hereby directed to enforce the Mail Policy, as revised, beginning thirty days from the date of this Order.

SO ORDERED, this 14th day of May, 2008.

Consented to by:

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