

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, NORTHERN DIVISION

EDWARD BRAGGS, et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
)	CIVIL ACTION NO.
v.)	2:14cv601-MHT
)	(WO)
JEFFERSON S. DUNN, in his)	
official capacity as)	
Commissioner of)	
the Alabama Department of)	
Corrections, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

AMENDED ORDER (REPLACING DOC. NO. 1601)

During an evidentiary hearing on February 7, 2018, the plaintiffs presented evidence (plaintiffs' demonstrative exhibit 167, an excerpt of which is attached) that allegedly reflects that the Alabama Department of Corrections has held approximately 20 inmates with serious mental illness in segregation housing units for periods of more than 30 days between February 1, 2017, and January 31, 2018--including several for significantly longer periods. Because, as the defendants recognize, it is categorically

inappropriate to place inmates with serious mental illness in segregation for longer than 30 days at a time, it is ORDERED, as to each of the inmates listed in the attached excerpt of plaintiffs' demonstrative exhibit 167, that, by February 9, 2018, at 5:00 p.m., the defendants are to (1) confirm that the inmate has been removed from segregation, give the date of removal, and explain where that inmate has moved to, or (2) explain why that inmate has not been removed from segregation, which explanation shall also include the length of time the inmate has remained in segregation (including the dates of each stint) during the period covered in the exhibit and the dates of any crisis or medical/mental-health placements during that period.

Because plaintiffs' demonstrative exhibit 167 was based upon a limited sample of information provided from defendants, the court does understand that the list is not complete. Nor does the court conclude, at this time, that the list is accurate. However, given

the urgency of this issue, the court opts to act now upon this initial sample.

Furthermore, the court focuses in this order on inmates with serious mental illness in segregation for longer than 30 days because the parties agree that placement for that length of time is categorically inappropriate for such inmates. However, this order should not be read to suggest that placement of seriously mentally ill inmates in segregation for 30 days or less is appropriate.

DONE, this the 8th day of February, 2018.

/s/ Myron H. Thompson
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE