## UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MEMORANDUM

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DATE: July 31, 1993

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Third Quarter Report FY 93 RE:

The following information is provided for the third quarter (April, May, June) 1993.

#### Litigation

NUMBER OF ACTIONS FILED 73

HABEAS CORPUS ACTIONS	41
FTCA ACTIONS	3
BIVENS ACTIONS	19
OTHER (Mandamus, etc)	10

NUMBER OF LITIGATION REPORTS 73 29 NUMBER CLOSED 3 NUMBER OF HEARINGS/TRIALS NUMBER OF SETTLEMENTS 0 AMOUNT OF AWARD

# Significant Case Activity

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Jesse W. Green v. Department of Justice, et al., CV 92-H-1728-E, Northern District of Alabama. An inmate at Talladega claims a violation of his Eighth Amendment because of housing with Cuban detainees. He was taken hostage in the 08-1991 disturbance. On May 11, 1993, the court issued an order granting summary judgment on behalf of the government. FCI, Talladega staff were not wantonly or callously indifferent to potential danger when they placed an American inmate in administrative detention with Cuban Detainees in Alpha Unit just prior to the 1991 hostage incident.

Joseph Sun v. Harold Delashmit, et al., 90-AR-0051-S, Northern District of Alabama. An inmate at Talladega claims that he was denied medical care and bathroom privileges on a plane that was in transport between Petersburg and Talladega in 1989. The inmate also alleges that he was subject to an excessive use of force. The trial was scheduled for June 1, 1993 and was continued until June 4, 1993. The two day trial was attended by Van Vandivier, Deputy Regional Counsel. On June 8, 1993, a verdict for the defendants was handed down. On June 14, 1993. the inmate appealed to the Eleventh Circuit.

Herbert Lee, et al. v. Richard Thornburgh, 1:90-CV-1350-JOF, Northern District of Georgia. Black employees at Atlanta allege discrimination based on race because they were denied promotions. The trial was scheduled for May 24, 1993 and continued for three days. The trial was attended by Earl L. Cotton, Assistant Regional Counsel. The presentation of testimony was not completed at this time. On July 1, 1993, the trial resumed and was completed the same day. On July 23, 1993, the magistrate's report and recommendation recommended that judgment be entered in favor of the defendants, dismissing all claims, and that the plaintiff's bear all costs.

## Federal Tort Claims Act/Employee Claims

NUMBER FILED

114

PERSONAL	PROPERTY	i0i	
PERSONAL	INJURY	13	
NUMBER PAID AMOUNT PAID NUMBER DENIED NUMBER PENDING NUMBER OVERDUI AVERAGE PROCES	Ξ	0 0 43 216 19 121.00	DAYS

NUMBER RECEIVED	136
NUMBER CLOSED	122
NUMBER PENDING	37
NUMBER OVERDUE	13
OVERDUE 30 DAYS	17
NUMBER OF CIVIL ACTIONS	0

# Quarterly Comparison

## TORT CLAIMS/EMPLOYEE CLAIMS

SER	NUM	PROP	ΡI	APPR	AMT	DEN	PEND	OD	A/0	A/P
	160	156	4	18	\$1441.70 \$3421.58 \$0	150	255	45 -		108.55

LITIGATION

SER	NUM	HC	FTC	BIV	OTH	ANS	PEN	CLD	H/T	SET	AWD
1ST QTR 2ND QTR 3RD QTR 4TH QTR	58 45 73	21 20 41	3 2 3	27 15 19	7 8 10	58 45 73		64 41 29	0 0 3	1 0 0	\$35,000 0 0

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SER	NUM	PROC	PEND	OD	A/OD	A/P	CA	 
15T QTR 2ND QTR	95 110	74 18	19 6	22 30	30 00	0 1	0 0	 <u> </u>
3RD QTR 4TH QTR	136	122	37	13	00	0	0	

# <u>Travel</u>

Sherree L. Sturgis, Regional Counsel

April 19-23, 1993, Travel to Herndon, Virginia for a Management Assessment Meeting. The cost was \$958.50.

June 6-10, 1993, Travel to Denver, Colorado for the Prisoner Litigation Seminar. The cost was \$599.00

June 13-5, 1993, Travel to Glynco, Georgia to Host a Training Seminar for Lawyers at FLETC. The cost was \$302.60.

June 29 through July 3. 1993, Travel to Miami, Florida to provide Technical Support for MCC, Miami staff. The cost was \$720.98.

# Van Vandivier, Deputy Regional Counsel

April 1, 1993, Travel to Birmingham, Alabama to assist AUSA in the case of <u>Beard v. Britton</u>. The cost was \$101.25.

April 26, 1993, Travel to Talladega, Alabama to assist AUSA in case of <u>Beard v. Britton</u>. The cost was \$80.00.

May 20, 1993, Travel to Talladega, Alabama to assist AUSA in the case of <u>Beard v. Britton</u>. The cost was \$75.75.

June 1-4, 1993, Travel to Birmingham, Alabama to assist AUSA in the case of <u>Sun v. Delashmit</u>. The cost was \$99.75.

June 4-5, 1993, Travel to Birmingham, Alabama to assist AUSA in the case of <u>Sun v. Delashmit</u>. The cost was \$173.88.

June 6-10, 1993, Travel to Denver, Colorado for the Prisoner Litigation Seminar. The cost was \$558.50.

June 14-15, 1993, Travel to Montgomery, Alabama for a meeting with the Warden of FPC, Maxwell and the Base Commander of the Maxwell Air Force Base. The cost was \$107.00.

June 15-17, 1993, Travel to Birmingham, Alabama to assist AUSA in the case of <u>Burns v. Lawther</u>. The cost was \$234.20.

#### Michelle Coulombe, Paralegal Trainee

March 21-10, 1993, travel to Aurora, Colorado to attend the Paralegal Training courses held in Aurora, Colorado. The cost was \$1,945.00.

The total cost of travel during this reporting period was \$5956.41.

## Other Activities

On June 15, 1993, Van Vandivier, Deputy Regional Counsel, met with the Warden of FPC, Maxwell and the Base Commander for Maxwell Air Force Base to renegotiate the provision for providing medical services to inmates.

On May 12, 1993, Van Vandivier, Deputy Regional Counsel, and Earl L. Cotton, Assistant Regional Counsel conducted a training session with the CCM Contract Personnel at USP, Atlanta on Integrity and Ethics issues.

On June 20, 1993, Sherree L. Sturgis conducted a training session with the CCM Contract Personnel at MCC, Miami on Integrity and Ethics issues.

Finally, enclosed you will find copies of the Southeast Regional Counsel's report for the months of this reporting period.

Enclosures

cc: Regional Director