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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

PRISON LEGAL NEWS. a Washington State Corporation, and ROLLIN WRIGHT,

Plaintiffs,

CASE NO. CV-N-00-0373-HDM-RAM

JACKIE CRAWFORD in her official capacity, JOHN SLANSKY, in his official and individual capacities, ROBERT BAYER, in his official and individual capacities, DOES I-XXV, Defendant RED AND WHITE CORPORATIONS I-X, and BLACK AND BLUE STATE and/or MUNICIPAL ENTITIES I-X,

Defendants.

ORDER GRANTING PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

Plaintiffs are the publishers of the journal <u>Prison Legal News</u>. Defendants are officials of the Nevada Department of Prisons (NDOP). In this lawsuit, Plaintiffs challenge Defendants' blanket exclusion of <u>Prison Legal News</u> from NDOP institutions. Defendants base this blanket exclusion upon their contention that <u>Prison Legal News</u> is an "inmate publication" prohibited by Administrative Directive (A.D.) 41-95. On or about the 12th day of July, Plaintiffs moved for a preliminary injunction (CR #2). Defendants have consented to the entry of preliminary injunctive relief in their response to Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunctive Relief. Further, the Court makes a specific finding that the Plaintiffs have demonstrated probable success on the merits and the possibility of irreparable harm if a preliminary injunction is not granted.

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that Plaintiffs' Motion for a Preliminary Injunction is granted. Pending the final resolution of this action, Defendants Crawford and Slansky, their officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys, and all those in active concert or participation with them, are enjoined:

- (a) From maintaining a blanket exclusion of Prison Legal News and of correspondence relating to Prison Legal News from NDOP institutions; and
- (b) From excluding <u>Prison Legal News</u>, or correspondence relating to <u>Prison Legal News</u> from NDOP institutions solely on the ground that <u>Prison Legal News</u> is allegedly an "inmate publication" or "inmate newsletter" prohibited by A.D. 41-95.

Nothing within this order shall be construed to limit the Defendants' rights to properly review and appropriately censor individual issues of <u>Prison Legal News</u> within the guidelines set forth by the United States Supreme Court in <u>Thornburgh v. Abbott</u>, 480 U.S. 401, 109 S.Ct. 1874 (1989).

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Security will be waived.

DATED: This 14 day of August, 2000

HOWARD D. MCKIBBEN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE