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Plaintiffs,

v.

EDMUND G. BROWN, JR., et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. Civ S 90-0520 LKK-JFM

**SUPPLEMENTAL EXPERT
DECLARATION OF EDWARD
KAUFMAN, M.D. IN SUPPORT OF
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR
ENFORCEMENT OF COURT
ORDERS AND AFFIRMATIVE
RELIEF RELATED TO USE OF
FORCE AND DISCIPLINARY
MEASURES**

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TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS

Ad Seg	Administrative Segregation
BRD	Barricade Removal Device
CDCR	California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
CTC	Correctional Treatment Center
DSH	Department of State Hospitals
EOP	Enhanced Outpatient Program
GAF	Global Assessment of Functioning
ICC	Institution Classification Committee
MAB	Management of Assaultive Behavior
MHCB	Mental Health Crisis Bed
OC	Oleoresin Capsicum [pepper spray]
RVR	Rules Violation Report
SHU	Security Housing Unit
UOF	Use of Force

1 I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein, and if called as a witness,
2 I could competently so testify. I make this supplemental declaration in support of
3 Plaintiffs' Motion for Enforcement of Court Orders and Affirmative Relief Related to Use
4 of Force and Disciplinary Measures.

5 1. I previously filed an Expert Declaration in support of Plaintiffs' Opposition
6 to Defendants' Motion to Terminate Prospective Relief ("Termination Opp. Decl."), Doc.
7 4379, filed March 14, 2013, and an Expert Declaration in support of Plaintiffs' Reply in
8 Support of Motion for Enforcement of Court Orders and Affirmative Relief Related to Use
9 of Force and Disciplinary Measures ("Reply Decl."), Doc. 4640, filed August 23, 2013.
10 Those declarations attach my curriculum vitae and outline my experience and
11 qualifications.

12 2. As noted in my Reply Declaration (§ 21), Defendants refused to make use of
13 force videos available so that I could review in time for consideration in my Reply
14 Declaration. Additional materials that I have reviewed since August 23, 2013 concerning
15 this issue are listed in Appendix A attached hereto. On September 6, 2013, I also visited
16 California State Prison-Sacramento, where I watched videos of six uses of force against
17 four *Coleman* class members, and interviewed two of those class members. I was
18 scheduled to interview a third class member, but when I arrived at the institution, I was
19 informed that the class member had been transferred to another facility. I had also
20 requested that the health records of these class members be available for my review, but
21 they had not been prepared for my review by the institution. I was provided with a very
22 brief opportunity to review very limited health records for three of the class members.

23 3. I also received partial health records for class members involved in use of
24 force incidents on September 17, 2013. Those that I have reviewed are included in
25 Appendix A.

26 4. I understand that the sample of controlled use of force incidents I reviewed
27 are those that the State provided in response to Plaintiffs' request for reports for all UOF
28 incidents involving class members at the four prisons visited by Plaintiffs' expert Vail

1 from July 1, 2012 to the dates of the inspections.

2 5. I make this declaration to augment the opinions set forth in my Reply
3 Declaration after reviewing videos showing six “controlled” uses of force against four
4 class members; reviewing incident reports, use of force review packets, and health records;
5 and conducting interviews with two class members. Although this review was of a limited
6 sample, it is my understanding based on review of both Plaintiffs’ and Defendants’
7 experts’ reports and depositions that the incidents I have reviewed are typical of CDCR
8 practice and within CDCR policy. I note that the videos I reviewed are of “controlled,” or
9 calculated uses of force, when CDCR employees knew they were being videotaped, and do
10 not depict the “immediate” uses of force, for which there is no video record.

11 6. Based on this information and my experience, it is my opinion that CDCR
12 continues to use force and disciplinary measures against persons with mental illness in a
13 punitive manner similar to that employed at the time of trial twenty years ago. These uses
14 of force do not appear to evidence consideration of the mental health status of the subject
15 of force, either in terms of how mental illness may be contributing to the behavior of the
16 prisoner, or in terms of how the use of force may affect the prisoner’s mental health or
17 treatment.

18 7. Further, it is my opinion that CDCR uses force and disciplinary measures
19 against persons with mental illness in ways that are contraindicated for their mental health,
20 and which likely exacerbate the symptoms and effects of their mental illness.

21 8. The records I reviewed clearly demonstrate punishment of prisoners with
22 serious mental illness for behaviors directly related to and resulting from their mental
23 illness. For example, numerous patients were subjected to OC spray for refusing to exit
24 their cells to be involuntarily medicated, when records indicate that they were under
25 *Keyhea* orders for involuntary medication precisely because they lack insight into their
26 mental illnesses, and their mental illnesses caused symptoms such as paranoia and anxiety
27 that, at times, result in refusal to take medication. Not only are these patients subjected to
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1 the use of force, but CDCR then additionally charges them with disciplinary Rules
2 Violations, demonstrating the punitive approach CDCR takes to mental illness.

3 9. For example, the clinician completing the Mental Health Assessment
4 attached to the RVR for one of these patients (Inmate B¹, below) states that the patient
5 “has a severe mental disorder and at times this mental illness will result in difficulty
6 following rules or delaying peace officers His severe mental illness is why he was
7 placed on a forced medication protocol. He will probably need to be forced or persuaded
8 to take his medication from time to time.” (COR12379.) Despite the clinician’s finding
9 that this patients’ mental illness contributed to the behavior leading to the RVR and
10 recommendation that mental health factors mitigate the penalty, the patient was found
11 guilty of “willfully delaying a peace officer” and assessed 61 days loss of credit.
12 (COR12382.) Approximately two weeks after this incident, the same patient against
13 refused to leave his cell for involuntary medication, was subjected to an approximately
14 four-second burst of OC-spray, and received another RVR for “obstructing a peace
15 officer.” Although the clinician completing the Mental Health Assessment for this RVR
16 wrote that “symptoms such as paranoia appear to have contributed to the behavior that led
17 to the RVR” (COR12372), the clinician did not recommend mitigating any penalty, and
18 the hearing officer found the patient guilty of obstructing a peace officer and assessed 90
19 days loss of credit, and 10 days loss of yard. (COR12363.) The records I received do not
20 include information showing whether or not the patient was additionally referred to the
21 classification committee for consideration of additional segregation or SHU time.

22 10. This extremely punitive treatment of persons with mental illness undermines
23 the ability to create an appropriate therapeutic environment in which to effectively provide
24 mental health treatment. The CDCR prisons I toured earlier this year, and the materials I
25 recently reviewed, evidence an environment wholly dominated by custody staff and

26 ¹ I identify the inmate-patients referred to herein by name and CDCR number in
27 confidential Appendix B, attached hereto.
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1 considerations. The types of behaviors demonstrated by the patients in the incidents I
2 reviewed are clinical situations that require clinical responses. However, in CDCR, these
3 situations are escalated by custody staff and converted into custodial battles that exacerbate
4 the fear, anxiety, and paranoia of a patient who is often already in psychiatric crisis. In the
5 words of one class member, the custody officers appear to be “trained to battle” the
6 inmates.

7 11. While there appears to be a requirement for “clinical” involvement in
8 calculated uses of force involving patients at the EOP or higher levels of care through a
9 “clinical intervention” attempt, based on my review of records and videos, this is merely a
10 formalistic requirement with no clinical or therapeutic value. What CDCR calls “clinical
11 interventions” amount to mere seconds, or, at most, a few minutes, of perfunctory
12 questioning by a psychiatric technician as to whether the prisoner will comply with
13 custodial orders to “cuff up” or “be involuntarily medicated.” The videos and records I
14 reviewed do not reflect standard and appropriate verbal de-escalation techniques by the
15 psychiatric technicians (or custody staff). Unsurprisingly, none of the records for the
16 controlled use of force incidents I reviewed report a “successful” mental health clinical
17 intervention.

18 12. As I have previously stated, clinically appropriate responses to a psychiatric
19 patient who is agitated or potentially violent include the use of the technique of
20 Management of Assaultive Behavior (MAB). MAB is widely employed in psychiatric
21 hospitals serving populations with similar characteristics to the forensic population, and
22 instructs that how clinicians and staff approach a psychiatric patient in crisis and/or
23 displaying agitated or aggressive symptoms is critical. The intervention should be
24 matched to the cause of the behavior, and the patient should be approached in a non-
25 threatening way, with a focus on calming and de-escalating the situation, letting the patient
26 know that he or she is being heard, explaining the rules in an authoritative but respectful
27 tone, and giving the patient safe choices (in contrast to a choice such as “obey the order or
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1 you will be forcibly extracted with OC spray”). Force should be the last resort in
2 psychiatric crisis intervention.

3 13. One of the foundations for employing this type of technique and responding
4 appropriately to a patient in psychiatric crisis is a therapeutic relationship or alliance
5 between a patient and mental health staff. Especially in housing units specifically
6 designated for patients needing higher levels of mental health treatment such as EOP units,
7 Mental Health Crisis Bed Units, and inpatient hospital units, custody staff should also be
8 supportive of creating this type of therapeutic environment. This means that custody staff
9 who work in these units need to receive appropriate and ongoing training on mental illness
10 as well as MAB techniques, and assignment of custody staff to these units should reflect
11 demonstrated ability to work with this population and be done on a consistent or long-term
12 basis rather than rotating. However, CDCR’s punitive approach to patients with serious
13 mental illness destroys the ability of mental health staff (and custody staff) to create trust
14 between an inmate-patient and the staff, especially when a patient’s mental illness already
15 includes symptoms such as paranoia, anxiety, or delusions. In the videos I observed, the
16 “cell extraction teams” (consisting of approximately five to seven custody officers) gear up
17 in head-to-toe protective gear and gas masks or helmets, rendering them a bizarre and
18 frightening team of figures as experienced by the inmate-patient. They then approach the
19 inmate-patient’s cell with various weapons at the ready including a range of sizes of OC
20 canisters, expandable batons, and full-body shields. The officers proceed by speaking or
21 shouting at the patient through a closed door and a helmet or mask, and deploying OC
22 spray, grenades, and/or Barricade Removal Devices (“cell-busters”) into the cells. For a
23 psychiatric patient who may already be responding to delusions or internal stimuli such as
24 voices, or who has impaired reality testing, or paranoia or anxiety about people picking on,
25 physically hurting, sexually assaulting, poisoning, or attacking him or her—as is typical of
26 patients with these types of diagnoses—this type of approach can not only appear to be his
27 delusions come-to-life, but also concretizes them, making them more permanent and less
28 amenable to treatment. In fact, as further detailed below, one patient (Inmate-Patient C)

1 had a detailed apparently delusional system with beliefs of a multitude of ways that the
 2 correctional officers were torturing him. Indeed, these cell extractions negatively impact
 3 not only the inmate-patient against whom this force is directly targeted, but the other
 4 inmate-patients housed in the unit, who, besides likely suffering physically from the effects
 5 of the OC spray, observe this behavior and experience it as confirmation of a non-
 6 therapeutic and punitive environment. Even for inmate-patients who are not actively
 7 delusional or psychotic, the forced cell extractions and discipline for “refusing orders”
 8 such as medication or coming out of a cell to be transferred to a higher level of mental
 9 health care or another housing unit exacerbate fear, anxiety, and paranoia, and preclude
 10 therapeutic relationships. In my opinion, many of these types of situations could be
 11 appropriately handled without the use of force by a clinician actually engaging with the
 12 inmate-patient in a conversation about what is going on, establishing a therapeutic alliance,
 13 sometimes agreeing to wait a number of hours to re-engage with the patient, and if
 14 restraints become necessary, doing so using a hands-on approach with as minimal force as
 15 possible. Dr. Koson, Defendants’ expert at the time of the original trial, testified to this
 16 effect. 1/7/93 Deposition of Dennis F. Koson, M.D., *Coleman v. Wilson*, at 440:22-442:7.

17 14. The videos I reviewed, coupled with the corresponding incident reports and
 18 patients’ mental health records, evidence exactly this kind of punitive reaction to persons
 19 with mental illness and resulting psychological harm, as well as physical pain and
 20 suffering from the administration of the chemical agent.

21 15. Inmate-Patient A: One of the video incidents I reviewed showed a use of
 22 force against a patient housed in a hospital (Correctional Treatment Center) unit in
 23 Corcoran. This patient was already at the Mental Health Crisis Bed level of care and had
 24 decompensated and was so psychotic that he was smearing feces on himself. The
 25 psychiatrist ordered that medication be involuntarily administered to the patient. The time
 26 period between the nurse reporting that the patient was refusing his medication and the
 27 determination to use a controlled use of force for a cell extraction was reported to be less
 28 than 25 minutes. (COR12786.) The attempt at “clinical intervention” lasted

1 approximately 32 seconds. What is then depicted on the video is a group of 8-9 custody
2 officers, with at least 6 suited up from head to toe in protective gear, and wearing gas
3 masks, repeatedly ordering the clearly psychotic patient to “cuff up” or “submit to
4 handcuffs,” without attempting to engage the patient at all other than continuing to shout
5 these phrases over and over. Although it appears that the patient cannot understand or
6 comply with such orders, each failure by the patient to “cuff up” is met by another
7 injection of OC spray into the cell. Even as the patient is repeatedly crying for help, there
8 is no further attempt by officers or clinicians to engage him. Rather, they administer more
9 OC spray. In fact, the Captain who ordered the cell extraction stated in her incident report
10 for this use of force that the patient was “observed in a mental state where he could not
11 follow the simplest [sic] instruction. When ordered to submit to handcuffs he was
12 observed responding, how do I do that, although staff explained to him he needed to back
13 up to the cuff port and submit to handcuffs. He was still very confused and disoriented
14 with complying with instructions.” (DEXP 112873-4.) Yet, even after this was observed,
15 the Sergeant “dispersed one continuous burst of OC pepper spray from an MK-09
16 approximately 4 feet from the intended target. Inmate [A] still was not submitting to
17 handcuffs. Inmate [A] was attached to a lanyard through the food port and was clearly not
18 capable of submitting to handcuffs due to his mental state.” (*Id.*) What I observed on the
19 video is that the inmate-patient approached the cuff port and gave the officers one hand to
20 be cuffed, but kept pulling the other hand back because he was overwhelmed and
21 frightened by what was occurring. The first time he pulled his hand back was as he was
22 touched and asked, “What’s going on?” He then said, “I want to go home,” in a child-like
23 way, further indicating fear and confusion. It appeared to me that his reluctance to give his
24 hands to the officer to cuff up was a result of his fear rather than willful resistance, but the
25 officers were not able to tell the difference. When the officers finally determined they
26 needed to open the door of the cell and physically remove the patient from the cell, the
27 patient appeared poised to exit the cell voluntarily, but the officers rushed at him with a
28 full-length shield, shoving him back into the cell filled with OC spray. The pain and

1 suffering of this patient is evident throughout the video as he repeatedly cries out in
2 anguish for help, and asks “Why is this happening to me?” and “Why isn’t anybody
3 listening to me?” Observing the degree of force and degradation used against this clearly
4 vulnerable and frightened patient was shocking. After he had been placed on a gurney in
5 five-point restraints, nude, with his genitals showing, multiple custody officers held him
6 down for the forced injections, including at least two holding down his head, he said, “I
7 didn’t do nothing wrong ... I don’t want to decapitate nobody ... I don’t want to kill
8 people ... I don’t want this to happen to me ... I don’t want to be executed.” He does not
9 ever appear to be decontaminated. The medical report states that he had scratches on his
10 left wrist, left hand, and finger. He complained on the video about feeling like his skin and
11 wrist were falling off.

12 The patient was charged with a Rule Violation for “obstructing a peace officer in
13 the performance of his duties in the use of force.” (COR12790.) Although the clinician
14 who completed the Mental Health Assessment stated that “Inmates mental health state
15 included delusions/false thoughts/paranoia and didn’t seem to understand consequences of
16 not complying with a custody officer” and recommended that “inmate will benefit from
17 therapy & activities that provide reality orientation ... social interaction/talking with others
18 and things that help prompt his memory” (COR12792), Inmate A was found guilty of
19 “obstructing a peace officer in the performance of his duties in the use of force.” He was
20 assessed 90 days loss of credit, and 30 days loss of privileges including loss of dayroom,
21 TV/radio, visits, family visits, special purchase, telephone, and quarterly package, effective
22 upon release from the Mental Health Crisis Bed. (COR12790.) This means that even
23 when he was released from the crisis bed, he would be deprived of virtually all of his
24 opportunities for external stimuli, which further isolates him and increases his paranoia
25 and anxiety, and totally contradicts every recommendation made by the clinician in the
26 Mental Health Assessment. The patient was also referred to the ICC for “Program/
27 Housing review,” which I understand to be consideration of a segregation or SHU term.
28 (COR12791.) This inmate-patient’s health records were not made available to me, and I

1 am informed that Defendants refused to produce them to Plaintiffs' counsel. However, the
 2 incident reports do indicate that he was subsequently referred for a *Keyhea* order, which
 3 indicates the very high level of acuity of his mental illness.

4 16. Inmate-Patient B: Another of the video incidents I reviewed showed a use of
 5 force against a patient at Kern Valley State Prison who was being forcibly extracted from
 6 his cell in an Administrative Segregation unit in order to transfer him to a Mental Health
 7 Crisis Bed level of care in the Correctional Treatment Center. The clinician described the
 8 patient as "becoming more paranoid" and "playing with feces." In reviewing the health
 9 record of Inmate-Patient B, it was noted that around the time of the cell extraction, he was
 10 given many different primary psychiatric diagnoses, including psychotic disorder, bipolar
 11 disorder, schizophrenia, paranoid type; all very severe forms of mental illness. The
 12 clinical notes around the time of the cell extraction also state that he was exhibiting
 13 auditory hallucinations and gravely disabled. In the community, being gravely disabled
 14 would mean that someone could be involuntarily hospitalized because they were unable to
 15 care for themselves, but Inmate B was cell extracted and subjected to force for refusing to
 16 comply with orders. It was also noted that his Global Assessment of Functioning the day
 17 after the extraction was 20, which is an extremely low level of functioning. After Inmate
 18 B was extracted, he was placed directly on suicide watch in the MHCB, given multiple
 19 powerful antipsychotic medications and a high dose of a sedative drug, and was referred to
 20 acute care at DSH three weeks later. He was housed in the crisis bed for more than two
 21 months while he was waiting for the DSH placement, and in this time, was apparently
 22 subjected to two additional cell extractions, for which I was not provided incident reports,
 23 but are referred to in the medical record.

24 In the extraction for which I watched the video and reviewed the incident reports,
 25 the "clinical intervention" attempt lasted approximately 23 seconds. The extraction team,
 26 covered in plastic suits, and gas and face masks then approached the cell. A custody
 27 officer wearing a gas mask read an "admonishment" advising the patient to submit to
 28 handcuffs or force would be used. Approximately seven sprays of OC then appear to be

1 administered into the patient's cell in quick succession (less than six minutes) and the
2 patient can be heard saying "can't treat me like a dog," and "you're trying to kill me,
3 man." At this point, the patient began asking the officers to "get medical," saying "get the
4 medical staff and I'll cuff up. You mother-fuckers are trying to kill me." The patient
5 continued to ask for medical staff for the next two to three minutes, and then started
6 expressing his fear that if he strips down as he has been ordered to do, he will be raped.
7 He sees the Barricade Removal Device, which has a long metal tube on it, and becomes
8 even more agitated, saying "You're not fucking me in my ass." The custody officers
9 ordered him to "strip out." The patient responded, "You want me to strip out so you can
10 fuck me. I'm not a homosexual ... I'm not stripping out ... I have no weapons ... I'll
11 volunteer to come out without stripping." The officers continued to order him to strip out
12 and ordered him to "turn around." The patient says, "You're not gonna ram that up my
13 ass." The officers then used the BRD, shoving the metal tube through the cuff port into the
14 cell, with a massive burst of OC spray. The patient then stripped down, but before they
15 would open the door, the officers told him to "show me your hands," "take that shit off
16 your head," "open your mouth," "lift up your testicles," and "get on your knees." Only
17 after the patient was naked and on his knees did the officers cuff him and open the door.
18 They brought him onto the dayroom floor completely naked, keeping him on his knees,
19 and retrieved a spit mask and put it around his neck even though he said, "I'm not going to
20 give you any problems ... I'm not going to spit on you." The patient asked for some
21 water, but was not given any. The officers then brought the patient to the shower to be
22 decontaminated, and, after this, still naked, they strapped him to a gurney on the dayroom
23 floor in full view of the housing unit. They then wheeled him out through the dayroom
24 and control/office area, still naked and with his genitals exposed, although one of the
25 primary concerns he expressed was his fear of stripping down. The patient was charged
26 with a Rule Violation for this cell extraction, although the documents I was provided do
27 not include the disposition of that charge. The committee reviewing the use of force at the
28 institution focused on technical problems with the introduction of the extraction team, and

1 did note that the inmate-patient should not have been videoed with his genitals exposed,
 2 but did not touch at all on the use of force against a paranoid and frightened inmate who
 3 was too psychotic to be able to comply with the demands. In one of the medical notes it
 4 was stated that Inmate B had a history of being sexually abused, which is relevant to his
 5 reactions to the cell extraction, his fear of turning his back to the cuff port, the BRD and
 6 refusal to strip. Although I was unable to interview this inmate-patient because he was
 7 transferred a few days before I was scheduled to interview him during my September site
 8 visit, it is reasonable to conclude that this incident potentially re-traumatized him and made
 9 recovery from his decompensated state more difficult.

10 17. Inmate-Patient C: Two of the use of force incidents I reviewed on video
 11 were against the same EOP class member, approximately two weeks apart, in a segregation
 12 housing unit at Corcoran. Both of these incidents, referred to in paragraph 9 above, were
 13 in response to the patient refusing involuntary medication pursuant to an active *Keyhea*
 14 order. According to this patient's health records, he has been diagnosed with
 15 schizophrenia, chronic undifferentiated type, as well as paranoid schizophrenia. The
 16 clinical notes indicate that he does well on medications, but off medications does poorly
 17 and isolates. He has a history of responding to internal stimuli, delusions about talking to
 18 God and being clairvoyant, and around the time of these incidents was displaying
 19 regressed behavior and confused rapid speech, had a GAF score of 25, which is very low-
 20 functioning, and according to clinical notes, was manifesting what were deemed delusions
 21 that officers were tampering with medications, poisoning his food, having sexual contact
 22 with nurses in front of him, touching his food with their penises and urinating on it. He
 23 was also reportedly suffering from grief from the recent loss of father. His medication
 24 history included his having been on a very high dose of a powerful antipsychotic, which
 25 was at times paired with another highly potent antipsychotic. This combination of two
 26 powerful antipsychotic drugs, and the fact that he was on a *Keyhea* order, are indicative of
 27 a high level of acuity of mental illness.

28 In the first incident, the clinical intervention lasted for approximately one minute

1 before it was declared unsuccessful. The video then shows the extraction team wheel a
2 cart with variously-sized canisters of OC spray out in front of the patient's cell. Following
3 the "admonishment" to the patient by a custody officer that if he did not submit to
4 handcuffs, he would be OC sprayed, the patient indicated he would voluntarily come out.
5 In the second incident, just weeks later, the intervention lasted approximately 21 seconds.
6 On the video, the patient can be heard saying "I need mental health ... I'm going crazy,"
7 but the psychiatric technician literally walked away from the cell while the patient was
8 asking for help, and declared the intervention unsuccessful. The extraction team, wearing
9 in hazmat suits, including knee and elbow pads, then approached his cell. OC spray was
10 then pumped into the cell for approximately four seconds. The patient then agreed to come
11 out, was restrained, put in the shower with his clothes still on for decontamination, and
12 then placed in a holding cage. As I noted earlier, the patient received RVRs for both of
13 those incidents, and was found guilty and lost a total of 121 days of credit, despite both
14 Mental Health Assessments indicating that his behavior was related to his serious mental
15 illness.

16 I interviewed this inmate-patient, and he described the effects of being sprayed with
17 OC as "suffocating ... taking all the oxygen away that belongs inside you," "it chokes you
18 out," "it takes the life out of me," and "burning your skin ... feeling like it is going to fall
19 off." He said that when the extraction team approaches, "when they're all geared up, it
20 feels like they're coming in to kill me ... when they come into the cell, they hold you up
21 against the wall with a shield so that you can't move." He noted that after the second
22 incident at Corcoran, he was kept in his wet clothes after he was decontaminated.

23 After experiencing multiple cell extractions, he is acutely paranoid of corrections
24 officers and of being manipulated by them. He reported nightmares about being jumped
25 and beaten up by correctional officers, and states that he now takes his medications
26 because he is scared that if he does not, they will beat him. He reported being subjected to
27 multiple additional uses of force by correctional officers, which I was not able to confirm
28 or deny because I was not provided with his custody file. However, whatever shows of

1 force officers have used against him have substantially contributed to and exacerbated his
2 paranoia.

3 18. Inmate-Patient D: I also reviewed a video showing two uses of force against
4 another class member in the same day, about three hours apart. This EOP patient was
5 housed in an administrative segregation unit at Corcoran, and expressed suicidal ideation.
6 He covered the windows of his cell with pieces of paper and initially refused orders to
7 remove them and to submit to restraints. (COR17005.) However, after a licensed
8 psychiatric technician came to his cell, he agreed to remove the paper, and come out of his
9 cell to be evaluated by mental health. When the inmate-patient came out of his cell, the
10 Lieutenant on the unit informed him that when he returned to his cell he would be placed
11 on Management Status for the next ten days “due to his unruly and dangerous behavior.”
12 Per the management cell status chrono, he would be allowed “one mattress, one blanket, a
13 pair of boxer shorts, a pair of shoes, and legal material upon verification of pending legal
14 deadline.” (COR17005.) At this point, according to the Lieutenant, the inmate-patient
15 “was unreceptive to my counseling and became verbally irate about my decision.”
16 According to my interview with the inmate-patient, he felt as though he had been tricked
17 into coming out of his cell so that they could remove his belongings and place him on
18 Management Status. After this, the inmate-patient was seen by mental health and cleared
19 to be re-housed. It is unclear whether this screening took place while the inmate-patient
20 was in a holding cage on the housing unit or at the CTC, but at some point the inmate-
21 patient was placed in a holding cage on the dayroom floor, and refused to submit to
22 restraints and exit the holding cell, expressing anger and frustration about being placed on
23 Management Status, and not wanting to return to his cell without his property. While the
24 patient was locked in the holding cage, a psychiatric technician approached to do a
25 “clinical intervention,” which appeared to consist of listening to the patient talk for
26 approximately 2 minutes and 38 seconds about his belief that he had been improperly
27 placed on management status, and if they put him back in his cell, he will become suicidal,
28 and then they will spray him again. The psychiatric technician then walked away and

1 declared the intervention unsuccessful. The cell extraction team then approached the
2 holding cage and sprayed the inmate-patient three separate times with OC spray in under
3 two minutes. The patient had not been medically cleared for OC spray because he has
4 asthma, but custody overrode that consideration, stating that overruling medical orders was
5 okay because they had secured the presence of an emergency vehicle outside the unit.
6 After the third spray, the inmate-patient agreed to submit to restraints, and was restrained
7 by his arms and legs, and his arm restraint was attached to a large metal triangle lanyard.
8 The patient used a cane to walk and was escorted to a shower for decontamination by a
9 number of officers, including one holding the metal lanyard behind the patient. He was
10 put in the shower fully clothed for decontamination. Following this, the inmate-patient
11 was escorted back to his housing cell, where he was required to strip out of all of his
12 clothing except his boxers and hand it through the cuff port. Less than three hours later,
13 the patient expressed suicidal ideation, but refused to submit to restraints to exit his cell.
14 Although OC spray was again not medically cleared, custody determined another cell
15 extraction was required. A clinical intervention attempt lasting approximately thirteen
16 seconds was made, followed by administration of approximately three seconds of OC
17 spray into the cell. The inmate-patient was charged with a Rules Violation, although the
18 documents I was provided do not include the disposition of that charge.

19 Inmate-Patient D is most often diagnosed as having an adjustment disorder, with
20 mixed disturbance of emotions and conduct. He has also been diagnosed with a rule-out
21 bipolar affective disorder and has been intermittently diagnosed with an antisocial
22 personality disorder on Axis II. The health records for Inmate-Patient D report that he has
23 a history of expressing suicidal ideation and having made an attempt on at least one
24 occasion, when he was dealing with the death of his two-and-a-half year old daughter.
25 Clinical notes further state that he was sexually abused as a child, and feels re-traumatized
26 and humiliated by the strip search procedures when Ad-Seg inmates go in and out of their
27 cells, and has historically refused clinical appointments outside of his cell for this reason.
28 This clinical information is relevant to the kind of situation described above, where he

1 reacts disproportionately to custody officers' demands that he submit to stripping down
 2 and restraints. This inmate-patient has a number of specific fears about what custody
 3 officers will do to him and told me that he estimates he has been subjected to OC spray
 4 approximately 50 times on 25 occasions. He also reports that in many instances, custody
 5 officers have targeted him for physical force or removal or destruction of his property, and
 6 then blamed him. Again, I was not given access to his custody records to confirm or deny
 7 this. He also stated that he does well when he takes his medication, an antidepressant, but
 8 that he had been off of his medication for several days at the time of this incident.

9 During my interview of this inmate-patient, he described the effects of OC spray as
 10 feeling like "you are hyperventilating ... you can't breathe ... it takes all your oxygen
 11 away." He described the feeling of being extracted from the holding cage as
 12 dehumanizing: "You feel like an animal ... you're chained to a steel heavy bar and they
 13 walk you around in front of everyone. It's what they do to cattle and horses." This
 14 inmate-patient shows insight into his own behavior, declaring that he "has been an
 15 asshole" at least forty percent of the time, but also describes the mindset of the custody
 16 officers as "trained to battle" the inmates. In describing the effects of being cell extracted,
 17 he said, "I'm not against law or authority, but you never get along with officers after that."

18 19. Not only does the use of force on inmate-patients potentially exacerbate
 19 mental illness, but it also causes contemporaneous pain and suffering—both physical and
 20 psychological—that is evident from even the limited sample of incidents Defendants
 21 provided and I reviewed. As I stated, patients I interviewed describe the effects of OC
 22 spray as feeling like "you are hyperventilating ... you can't breathe ... it takes all your
 23 oxygen away," "suffocating ... taking all the oxygen always that belongs inside you," and
 24 "burning your skin ... feeling like it is going to fall off." They reported that when they are
 25 eventually returned to their cells following cell extractions involving OC spray, the spray
 26 is still all over the walls, floor, bedding, sink, etc., so that every time they touch any of
 27 these, it burns. In some of these cases, spit masks are placed over the patients immediately
 28 after exposure to OC spray, which can be assumed to exacerbate feelings of being

1 suffocated. I reviewed instances in which inmate-patients were sprayed with OC even
 2 though they had asthma and were not medically cleared for such exposure. Inmates I
 3 interviewed also reported that when OC spray is delivered into a cell or cage in a housing
 4 unit, the whole unit feels the effects.

5 20. The dehumanizing and degrading effect of this approach to the inmate-
 6 patients—people—who are locked behind doors in cells while correctional officers
 7 administer spray through canisters, wands, grenades, and the Barricade Removal Device
 8 from the other side of the door, and then demand the patients strip down naked, open their
 9 mouths, raise their testicles, kneel, submit to shackling, including being attached to a giant
 10 metal triangle lanyard, is plain from the statements made by the inmate-patients while the
 11 force is occurring, and in talking about these incidents after. These include: “You can’t
 12 treat me like a dog ... there’s no need to do that”; “You feel like an animal ... you’re
 13 chained to a steel heavy bar and they walk you around in front of everyone. It’s what they
 14 do to cattle and horses.” Even when the inmate-patients are attempting to communicate
 15 with the officers during the use of force, there is no attempt by the officers to engage in
 16 effective communication. The inmate-patient in the crisis bed (Inmate-Patient A) can be
 17 heard shouting “Help” repeatedly, and “Open the door,” “I’m trying” (in response to
 18 orders to cuff up), “Don’t do this to me,” “Why is this happening?” and “Why isn’t
 19 anybody listening to me?” But the only verbal response to these pleas for help by custody
 20 officers was to repeat the order to “submit to handcuffs” or “cuff up.” Similarly, in the
 21 video I reviewed where a decompensated patient (Inmate-Patient B) who had been playing
 22 with his own feces was sprayed with OC approximately seven times in six minutes,
 23 followed by the Barricade Removal Device, the inmate-patient repeatedly told the custody
 24 officers that he would cuff up if medical staff came over, and then that he would cuff up,
 25 but he would not strip down because of fears about being raped. In response, the officers
 26 told him “That’s not how it works,” and repeated their orders to strip down. In the
 27 associated incident report, one of the officers described the inmate-patient’s expression of
 28 fears of being sexually assaulted as “[the inmate] began to scream incoherently.” (KVSP

1 18904.) Also relevant to this dynamic are the statements made by the officers while they
 2 are using force, such as “Cuff up or do you want more OC?” and “Hit him with a [MK-]9,
 3 he’s almost there.”

4 21. The punitive approach to inmate-patients with serious mental illness I have
 5 described in this supplemental declaration is consistent with the observations and opinions
 6 I expressed in my Termination Opposition Declaration and my Reply Declaration. In my
 7 Termination Opposition Declaration, I described custodial interference with mental health
 8 treatment and the dominance of harsh custodial practices such as strip searches that had
 9 dehumanizing effects on the inmate-patients subjected to these practices. ¶¶ 163-168. I
 10 also described the ways in which antagonistic relationships with custody staff destroy trust
 11 and create an atmosphere of fear, frustration, helplessness, and anger that individuals with
 12 serious mental illness may be especially unequipped to handle. *Id.* ¶ 170. The use of force
 13 practices I describe herein are even more severe practices in the same vein. One of the
 14 inmate-patients (Inmate-Patient C) I interviewed described his complete fear of custody
 15 staff as a result of the “beat-downs” with OC spray he has received, and his preference to
 16 leave his cell as little as possible in an effort to avoid interaction with custody staff. For an
 17 inmate-patient with serious mental illness, this kind of increased isolation and hesitancy to
 18 program outside the cell (if such programming is actually offered and available) has grave
 19 mental health consequences.

20 22. It is striking that CDCR continues to respond to prisoners who have been
 21 diagnosed as seriously mentally ill and are exhibiting symptoms of serious mental illness
 22 in exactly the same manner I commented on in 1993. *See* Expert Decl. of Kaufman
 23 ¶¶ 470-473. Then, I described the use of 37 mm guns on patients housed at the inpatient
 24 level of care or classified as “Cat J” who refused cell moves, were smearing feces on
 25 themselves, or displaying behavior that was deemed bizarre or potentially self-injurious. I
 26 described the gearing up of the cell extraction team in infectious disease control gear, flak
 27 jackets, helmets, face guards, and gloves; the brandishing of weapons; speaking to the
 28 frightened inmate through masks and shields; and the routine escalation of conflict by

untrained custody staff who demanded compliance from a psychotic patient. It was my opinion that in such incidents, “psychological injury to the mentally ill inmate, damage to any existing therapeutic relationship, and a reduced prospect of successful mental health treatment in the present and future are almost certain.” *Id.*

23. Returning to the system twenty years later, it is obvious that CDCR has still not trained its custody and clinical staff in appropriate methods for understanding and managing agitated psychiatric patients, despite my findings and the opinion of its own expert decades ago that the force employed was inappropriate and damaging to patients with mental illness. *See Koson Depo.* at 441-444. The systemic exposure of patients with serious mental illness to the punitive reactions I have described above (because it is almost certain that most of these patients are subjected to multiple uses of force over their confinement as they repeatedly cycle into a decompensated psychotic state, and also witness additional uses of force against fellow inmate-patients on their housing units) confirms and exacerbates paranoid or delusional thinking, impairs patients' ability to form therapeutic relationships, and, consequently, voluntarily participate in mental health treatment, and likely causes long-term psychological damage. In fact, it has been demonstrated that, for patients with mental illness generally, with repeated psychotic breakdowns, each subsequent breakdown results in greater brain damage than the prior episode. Thus, in the type of environment I have described in CDCR, these repeated cycles of psychosis and extremely punitive responses thereto, can be assumed to cause severe and long-lasting harm to class members.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States and the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration is executed at Laguna Beach, California this 20th day of September, 2013.

/s/ Edward Kaufman

Edward Kaufman, M.D.

[signature on file with counsel for Plaintiffs]

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