

How are you? Hope this finds you well and that you are holding up under the budding new-fascism in the Trumpian era. Read your letter and C.R. enclosure today. In fact, I was surprised as I did not expect a reply.

Let me tell you a little about myself as I am not the usual prisoner. I've been a prisoner for the last 29 years, coming into prison at age 34. I did not live a criminal lifestyle and only a series of gross injustices and flagrant lack of enforcement of the laws culminated in my becoming a vigilante. I defended my 5 yr. old daughter and my actions eliminated her vicious abuser. Naturally, the newspapers portrayed me as a violent ogre and dangerous public menace. The irony is it was the only violent act I ever committed in my life. Had I lived in New Jersey my victim would have been sent to prison for child abuse and numerous other felonies committed against my small daughter, my ma, my dog who was killed, and myself. In Phila., PA these felonies were perpetrated WITH IMPURITY! I graduated Temple Uni. In 1975 and eventually became a small businessman. In the end it was all for naught. My experience and the continued and ongoing injustice I endured, culminating in my "violent act" served no to make me a criminal but into a revolutionary. Things have become so out of wack in this nation we now live in a quasi-fascist police state run for the benefit of the corporate oligarchy and bankers. Note the crimes documented by Snowden of the Government against its citizens are still ongoing! I've come to realize that not only is democracy in our republic dead but the systemic problems far exceeding merely Trump and his minions. We need a 2nd American Revolution with 100 million citizens in the streets taking our nation and constitution back from dishonorable and traitorous faction who have subverted it. Are you at all familiar with director Ridley Scott's film "Blade Runner"? The corporate controlled society and gout portrayed in the film is where this nation is headed currently. It is not there yet but well on its way. As for Trump, he is only president because of the notorious "cross-check" which before the recent election removed 4 million legally registered Democrats from the voter veils in 28 states! In Michigan 442,000 votes were removed and then Trump won that state by 10,000 votes! In Wisconsin, 250,000 Democrats were stricken from the voter polls and Trump won Wisc. By 16,000 votes. This sort of dirty-tricks shit is only the tip of the iceberg with what's going on in our country; Trump is just the worst example and a symptom. Trump should have gone to prison himself for the massive fraud in "Trump University." If you did that fraud you certainly would have gone to prison!

(section redacted) Many snitch out to prison authorities, prey upon other prisoners, exhibit behaviors which make these gulags even worse than they have to be. Most do not even realize the man in the next cell should not be his enemy but an over allied person. The same corrupt "criminal" justice system, (Judges, Police, Prosecutors) sent us all to prison. These are our enemies not the other prisoners. Do you recall last year when the prisoners in Alabama called upon prisoners all across Amerika to participate in a general strike on a certain day? I think I was the only prisoner in Graterford not to report for work that day. In fact, the next day when I went to work at my prison job, not staff or fellow prisoners even remarked upon my absence the previous day! To be truthful, no prisoner should ever work or lift a finger to make the Department of Corrections job cheaper and easier to keep us locked up. Prisoners do all the work here fixing and maintenance, cleaning, cooking and also the slave laboring the so called "correctional industries" which generate profits. The Penna. Dept. of Corrections is extremely vicious and vindictive! Make no mistake about it. Just look what they did to Mumia over the long years! Until

the 99% rise up inside and out of prison I fear that things will only continue to deteriorate and get worse. There is much I could say on a plethora of topics but I've come to feel it is like shouting at the moon. My own situation is much like being in death's waiting room, sitting around until the number on my ticket I'm holding in my hand finally gets called. (section redacted)

Take good care of yourself, may the lord protect, bless and guard your endeavors.

I remain,

Fondly Johnathan.

p.s. Bernie Sanders was our nation's last hope... alas.