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c/o Theodore Mead Kimble

Re: Inmate Theodore Mead Kimble, #0599011

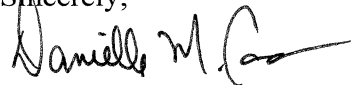
Dear Superintendent Smiley:

My name is Danielle M. Carman, and I am an attorney who is currently representing Mr. Kimble on his direct appeal. It recently came to my attention that DOC has instituted a new policy restricting the amount of personal property inmates can keep in their cells. However, I was also told that legal papers and books are exempt from this restrictive policy if the inmate has pending legal challenges in any court.

I am writing to inform you that Mr. Kimble's case is currently pending on direct appeal in the North Carolina Court of Appeals. As such, Mr. Kimble needs to be permitted to keep all legal papers and books currently in his possession, and to continue to receive new legal papers and books when necessary. I hope that this letter will make any and all of Mr. Kimble's legal materials exempt from the new DOC personal property policy.

If you require any additional information or documentation, please feel free to contact me at the above telephone number or address. Thank you very much for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Danielle M. Carman
Assistant Appellate Defender