

PERSONAL ACCOUNTS FROM SURVIVORS  
OF PRISON SEXUAL ASSAULTS

MR. NOLAN: Mr. DeBlasio, didn't you get sent to higher security because you filed a grievance?

MR. DEBLASIO: I was at a camp. I was at FCI Morgantown, which had no fence. That was the level of threat they felt that I posed to serve a five-year sentence with nothing to keep you there. That was how they felt I was a threat.

My grievances brought me to FCI monitoring, to a higher security level. As a matter of fact, in my years at the Bureau of Prisons, I seen nine designated facilities and several, you know, transit facilities in between. I've gone through Oklahoma City more times than I care to imagine. I have frequent flier miles for the amount of time that they've had me on a plane. I could probably take a few very nice vacations around the world. And that's all based on, you know, speaking out against reporting things, misconduct. It is a retaliation that they do because you become a

management problem. You're not willing to keep your mouth shut.

And in instances of assault, you have to think about retaliation from other inmates. If the inmate is an assailant -- my assailant was a member of the Vice Lords and was actually working in uniform making knives and bringing them out from the furniture factory. But then when you have staff involved as staff allowed this to occur and move the inmate closer and closer to me as time went on, we had the eight and a half. They have a BP8 and a half, which is the formal grievance which has to be filed with the officer or counselor who you have the complaint against and you have to have an answer to that before you can file your grievance procedure.