

AFFIDAVIT

My name is Gena [REDACTED], SS [REDACTED]. Date of Birth [REDACTED]
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On or about October 15, 1988, while being held as a patient at STRAIGHT, I disobeyed one of their rules. Any misbehaviour triggers a "jumping up and restraining" response on the group which is trained to react in this manner whenever someone disobeys. The misbehaving person is held down by numerous patients and staff members at Straight until they give in. On this particular day, while being restrained by the group and staffers, Michelle C. [REDACTED], another client hit me very hard on the nose. I blacked out and cannot remember what happened to me for several hours. I woke up much later coughing and spitting up blood. I could not breath through my nose. I was also throwing up blood. A nurse named Dorothy Hawk looked at my nose but I was not taken to a hospital for a couple of days later. I was eventually taken to Richardson Hospital where they took X-rays of my nose. X-rays confirmed a fractured nose. Dave Spitz who was employed by Straight knew I had hurt my nose. On several occasions he would sneak up behind me and hit my nose just because he knew it would hurt me. He would do so just to be cruel. Several other members of the group and staffers did this also.

The routine at Straight is to use the entire group to "restrain" those who did not obey rules by jumping on them violently and holding them down. Many times this results in injuries too numerous to mention, including head injuries. On another occasion, my finger was either broken or almost broken. I was kicked very hard while being held down in January 1989 on or about the 15th by Brad [REDACTED].

On other occasions, I suffered various forms of emotional abuse at Straight. I also carved deep bloody gashes in my arms as did many other patients because Straight would not allow any other form of expression. I basically wanted to leave and be free, but Straight would not allow me to do so.

signed [REDACTED] Date 3-16-90
Gena [REDACTED] n