5-03/190.30 - Federal Prisoner Correspondence Regulations

Any incoming or outgoing mail that discloses evidence listed below shall be withheld and reported to the U.S. Marshal or the U.S. Bureau of Prisons:

- Contraband;
- Escape plots or attempts;
- Criminal information or activities; and/or
- Violation of postal laws.

Federal prisoners will be permitted to correspond, within reasonable limits and subject to inspection, to the following:

- Family members;
- Friends; and
- Persons necessary for preparation of upcoming trial.

As provided for in the U.S. Justice Department/Los Angeles County Contract, federal prisoners' correspondence shall not be examined if corresponding with the following entities:

- Attorney General;
- Director of the Bureau of Prisons;
- Members of the U.S. Board of Parole;
- Pardon Attorney;
- U.S. Marshal;
- U.S. District Judge; and
- Attorney of record.