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PRESS RELEASE

VICTIM OF JAIL BRUTALITY FILES FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS ACTION

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Cesar Mark Mancilla will file a federal civil rights lawsuit this morning seeking damages for a February 2011 beating he received at the hands of Sheriff's Deputies in Los Angeles Twin Towers Correctional Facilities. The beating resulted in four broken teeth, fractured bones and a collapsed lung and severe emotional and psychological distress. After the attack he was denied medical care and food and water for hours while he lay alone in a cell. He is still suffering from the physical and psychological effects of this unjustified and brutal beating.

The attack on Mr. Mancilla is part of a pattern and practice of brutality at the Los Angeles County Jail. Mr. Mancilla and his family have sought explanations and justice from the Sheriff but have been met with a stone wall. The lawsuit seeks to hold the deputies, still unnamed, accountable for the violation of Mr. Mancilla's constitutional rights. It is one of several legal actions attempting to end the lawless reign of terror existing in the LA County jails so that others will not suffer the same egregious abuses and so the Sheriff will take the necessary steps to discipline deputies involved in brutality in the LA County Jail.

Copies of the complaint are posted at www.sdshh.com.