



# WHAT IS THE NUNEZ-DOJ SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT?

Nunez is a class-action lawsuit filed in 2011, which alleged, among other claims, that DOC uses excessive and unnecessary force against inmates. In 2012, the Department of Justice started an investigation and thereafter joined the Nunez class action.

We settled the suit on terms that align with our 14-point anti-violence reform plan already under way. We worked hard to reach a settlement that we believe is comprehensive and fair, and we are proud of what we accomplished.

Before the settlement, DOC had already started its reform plan focused on safety, reducing violence and supporting a culture change. The Nunez settlement terms build upon anti-violence work we have already begun.

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