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Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

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Our focus at this time is to address the backlog in grievances caused by the unexpected death of Brother Ybarra and everything falling on Brother Scoggins lap for almost 17 months. We are working diligently on every case as it comes up. We are making efforts to meet on direct appeals, Step 3 and pre-arbs weekly. If you are concerned regarding any specific grievance, feel free to give me or Brother Scoggins a call and we will give you any information we have available. In the past, this office assigned specific offices/locals to a specific NBA for logistical purposes; however, constitutionally all grievances appealed to this level in this region belongs to all 4 NBAs of California. Please note however that once we have reduced our backlog will we be able to better make NBA assignments of grievances from your offices/locals.

Until then anyone of you may phone the office and speak to either Clerk NBA in this office regarding your grievance and either one will be able to provide you with updates. Please be advised however, that once a grievances has been settled, resolved, withdrawn or otherwise closed, it is best to speak with the NBA whose name appears on the actual decision letter.

We appreciate your patience and understanding in advance. If you should have any questions, concerns or comments please feel free to contact me.

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