

34 Franklin St.  
Lyons, NY 14489  
July 31, 2006

Commissioner Timothy H. Cowin  
Jamesville Correctional Facility  
P.O. Box 143  
Jamesville, NY 13078

RE: Family Court Sentence for John Murtari

Dear Commissioner Cowin:

I report here today in compliance with an order from Family Court Judge Hedges. On Tuesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, he sentenced me to a six month sentence for an alleged child support violation. He gave me time to get ready and to report to the facility today.

I write this letter to avoid any misunderstanding regarding my intentions regarding this sentence. I have attached a brief letter I wrote Judge Hedges which should give you a complete explanation along with the referenced web site,  
[http://www.AKidsRight.Org/support\\_jm.htm](http://www.AKidsRight.Org/support_jm.htm)

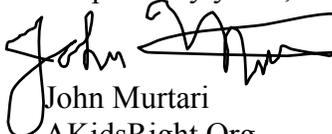
***Please understand that I will NOT be able to comply with any processing requests from your staff and will not cooperate in any way. Most importantly, I will not voluntarily eat or drink while a prisoner – I do expect medical means, e.g. IV and feeding tube, to be used to keep me healthy.***

This is not a hunger strike, I have no desire to hurt myself. I have a 13 year old son, Domenic, that I love very much. This is a NonViolent Action to call attention to an unjust Family Court system and an unjust jail sentence. This has nothing to do with the facility itself and I write this to minimize any problems with your staff.

I hope that this effort may help call attention to a serious need for reform. I regret the additional labor for your staff, but this jail sentence was not my choice. I should not even have been tried in this county.

I will be polite to your staff. I will take care of my personal hygiene and I hope I can receive visitors and send and receive mail. I hope I can avoid any communication isolation with the outside to avoid any rumors of what is happening in the jail.

Respectfully yours,

  
John Murtari  
AKidsRight.Org