**Appendix C**

**Civil Rights – Special Interrogatories – 42 U.S.C. § 1983 Claims –**

**For Cases Brought By Prisoners (Prison-Litigation Reform Applies)**

**Special Interrogatories to the Jury**

**Do you find from a preponderance of the evidence:**

That [name of defendant] intentionally committed acts that violated [name of plaintiff]’s right to [describe protected right]?

Answer Yes or No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If your answer is “No,” this ends your deliberations, and your foreperson should sign and date the last page of this verdict form. If your answer is “Yes,” go to the next question.

[ That [name of defendant]’s actions were “under color” of state law?

Answer Yes or No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If your answer is “No,” this ends your deliberations, and your foreperson should sign and date the last page of this verdict form. If your answer is “Yes,” go to the next question.]

That [name of defendant]’s conduct caused [name of plaintiff] to suffer a physical injury that was more serious than a minor injury?

Answer Yes or No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If your answer is “No,” this ends your deliberations, and your foreperson should sign and date the last page of this verdict form. If your answer is “Yes,” go to the next question.

That [name of plaintiff] should be awarded compensatory damages against [name of defendant] to compensate [name of plaintiff] for physical injury?

Answer Yes or No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If your answer is “Yes,”

in what amount? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

a. That [name of plaintiff] should be awarded compensatory damages against [name of defendant] to compensate [him/her] for emotional injury?

Answer Yes or No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If your answer is “Yes,”

in what amount? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

– OR –

b. That [name of plaintiff] should be awarded nominal damages against [name of defendant]?

Answer Yes or No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If your answer is “Yes,”

in what amount? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ That punitive damages should be assessed against [name of individual defendant]?

Answer Yes or No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If your answer is “Yes,”

in what amount? $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_]

So Say We All.

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Foreperson’s Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_