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3 ex-prison guards sentenced in civil rights case

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JACKSON, Tenn. (AP) - A captain and two former officers at Northwest Correctional Complex have been sentenced to prison for violating an inmate's civil rights, then lying about it during investigations.

Harold Hutcheson, a former captain at the prison in Tiptonville, Tenn., was sentenced Thursday in Jackson federal court to eight months in prison and two years probation.

Former NCC officers Joshua Ryan Jones and Roger Forrester each were sentenced to 10 months in prison, plus two years probation.

All three men pleaded guilty.

Hutcheson and Jones repeatedly kicked a handcuffed inmate in April 2008. They also obstructed justice when they lied to investigators.

Forrester acknowledged punching a handcuffed inmate and lying about it to investigators.

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