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IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF IOWA

RANDALL E. BALL, CHARLES YOUNG. JAMES L. LEISINGER, and RANDALL K. BELL,

Petitioners-Appellants.

vs.

STATE OF IOWA,

Respondent-Appellee.

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Appeal from the Iowa District Court for Lee County - Harlan W. Bainter, Judge.

Petitioners appeal from a denial of postconviction relief from a prison disciplinary decision asserting that the decision is not supported by substantial evidence. AFFIRMED BY OPERATION OF LAW.

Charles Harrington, Appellate Defender, and Raymond E. Rogers, Assistant Appellate Defender, for petitioners-appellants.

Thomas J. Miller, Attorney General, and Sarah J. Coates, Assistant Attorney General, for respondent-appellee.

Considered en banc.

Petitioner prison inmates Ball, Young, Leisinger, and Bell, were found guilty of violating prison rules relating to threats and intimidation of other inmates. The prison disciplinary committee's decision relied on confidential information. In a consolidated postconviction proceeding, the district court reviewed the confidential information in camera and upheld the decision of the disciplinary committee. On appeal, petitioners claim that the prison disciplinary committee's findings are not supported by substantial evidence.

The requirements of due process are satisfied if "some evidence" supports the decision by the prison disciplinary board. Wilson v. Farrier, No. 83-1635, slip op. at 5-6 (Iowa Sup. Ct. July 31, 1984) (citing Walpole v. Hill, 53 U.S.L.W. 4778, 4781 (U.S. June 17, 1985)).

The prison disciplinary committee had before it confidential information that was examined in camera by the district court and reexamined by us. The confidential information supports the findings of fact made by the committee. There was evidence of the petitioners use of threats on other inmates along with acts of intimidation.

We hold there was some evidence in the record to support the committee's decision.

AFFIRMED BY OPERATION OF LAW.