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TIME KEEPS ON SLIPPIN' WAS CREATED TO SYMBOLIZE THE THE THIN LINE A PERSON WALKS SERVING LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE. THE CALENDARS REPRESENT THE 40 YEARS I HAVE SERVED WALKING THE TIGHT ROPE OF LIFE WITHOUT PAROLE AND DARK ABYSS THOSE YEARS HAVE GONE. A PERSON MUST CAREFULLY WALK THAT THIN LINE AND AVOID FALLING OFF BY GIVING UP HOPE AND LIVING A LIFE WORTH LIVING DESPITE LIVING IT IN PRISON. ONE MISSTEP AND IT IS A DEEP DESCENT INTO THE DARK ABYSS.

THE WEIGHT WAS CREATED TO CONVEY HOW IT FELT TO BE SERVING LIFE ^{WITHOUT} PAROLE BEFORE THE JUVENILE LIFER LAWS WERE CREATED. LIFE WITHOUT THE POSSIBLY OF PAROLE IS A SENTENCE THAT IS LIKE A HEAVY WEIGHT THE PERSON SERVING THE SENTENCE IS BURDENED ~~THE~~ TO ENDURE 24 HOURS A DAY; 7 days a WEEK; 365, OR 366, DAYS A YEAR. TO HAVE NO HOPE OF EVER GOING HOME CAN BE SOUL CRUSHING; THE JUVENILE LIFER LAWS HAVE GIVEN MYSELF AND OTHERS A SENSE OF HOPE... A SENSE OF RELIEF.