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### UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

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### FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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ROBERT P. SMITH, III,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

V.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

Defendant,

And

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION and A. HEDGPETH.

Defendants - Appellees.

No. 12-17019

D.C. No. 3:10-cv-02959-CRB

**MEMORANDUM**\*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Northern District of California Charles R. Breyer, Senior District Judge, Presiding

Submitted November 17, 2014\*\*
San Francisco, California

<sup>\*</sup> This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The panel unanimously concludes this case is suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

Before: REINHARDT, THOMAS, and CHRISTEN, Circuit Judges.

In light of the Defendants' concession that they were not "prevailing part[ies]" within the meaning of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 54(d)(1) and that the award of costs should be reversed, we reverse the award of costs.

## REVERSED.