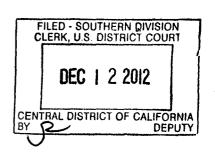
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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

GABRIEL GONZALEZ GALLEGOS,

Petitioner,

ORDER ACCEPTING FINDINGS AND

VS.

NAGISTRATE JUDGE AND GRANTING

DOMINGO URIBE JR., Warden,

Respondent.

Respondent.

Domingo Case No. EDCV 10-1797-DMG (JPR)

NAGISTRATE JUDGE AND GRANTING

PETITIONER'S MOTION TO LODGE

TRANSCRIPT

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636, the Court has reviewed the Petition, all the records and files of this case, and the Report and Recommendation of the U.S. Magistrate Judge. On August 15, 2012, Petitioner filed Objections to the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation, in which Petitioner primarily repeats some of the arguments in the Petition and Reply, as well as a Motion for Leave to Lodge Transcripts. The motion requests that the Court lodge and review the April 22, 2008 transcript of Petitioner's state-court Marsden hearing, which was not lodged by Respondent with his Answer. The Court has reviewed de novo those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which Petitioner objected as well as the April 22, 2008 transcript.

Although the Court has ordered that transcript lodged and

has reviewed it, nothing in it changes the analysis in the Report and Recommendation because the Magistrate Judge accepted as true Petitioner's representations concerning what was said during that hearing. (See Rep. & Rec. at 13.) If anything, the transcript undermines Petitioner's arguments. As to his claim that his counsel admitted three days before trial that he was not prepared to go forward, counsel acknowledged only that he was "still not prepared" because the government's ballistics tests were not yet ready and Petitioner would not agree to waive time despite his lawyer's advice that the results of the tests might prove helpful. (Hr'g Tr. 7, Apr. 22, 2008.) Counsel acknowledged that he had been busy with other cases "up until last week" but had since then been investigating Petitioner's case and preparing for trial. (<u>Id.</u> at 6.) As the Report and Recommendation points out, the record demonstrates that counsel clearly invested significant time and effort in defending Petitioner. (Rep. & Rec. at 13.) As to Petitioner's claim that counsel failed to investigate Petitioner's allegations that various people, including the victims and their friends, had been threatening him in the weeks before trial, counsel explained that he had attempted to contact the alleged witnesses and "[t]hey all refused to speak to my investigator or my office." (Hr'g at 6; see also id. at 7, 8 ("he doesn't understand the witnesses he's telling me to investigate doesn't [sic] want to cooperate").)

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Having reviewed the Petition, the Court concurs with and accepts the Magistrate Judge's recommendations. IT THEREFORE IS ORDERED that Petitioner's Motion to Lodge Transcripts be GRANTED and that Judgment be entered DENYING the Petition and dismissing this action with prejudice.

DATED: December 11, 2012

DOLLY M. GEE

U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

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