UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

RONALD EUGENE PIERCE,

Petitioner - Appellant,

v.

J. E. THOMAS, Warden,

Respondent - Appellee.

No. 09-35781

D.C. No. 3:08-cv-00705-MA

MEMORANDUM<sup>\*</sup>

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Oregon Malcolm F. Marsh, District Judge, Presiding

Argued and Submitted October 4, 2010 Portland, Oregon

Before: TASHIMA, PAEZ and CLIFTON, Circuit Judges.

Ronald Eugene Pierce appeals the district court's denial of his petition for

writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2241. Like the district court, we conclude

that because Pierce was already transferred to a residential reentry center ("RRC")

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pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3624, his claim is moot. Indeed, at this point Pierce is out of the custody of the Bureau of Prisons altogether. Accordingly, we affirm.

We are not persuaded that the possibility of modifying the terms of Pierce's supervised release pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3583(e) constitutes an adequate remedy preventing the case from being moot. Unlike the petitioners' claims in Serrato v. Clark, 486 F.3d 560 (9th Cir. 2007), and Mujahid v. Daniels, 413 F.3d 991 (9th Cir. 2005), Pierce's challenge does not implicate over-incarceration concerns. Time served in an RRC pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3624 and 18 U.S.C. § 3621 is merely a portion of the term of imprisonment, and therefore Pierce's objection is to the location of imprisonment and not the length of imprisonment. See 18 U.S.C. § 3624(c)(1). Moreover, we conclude that there is no reasonable expectation that Pierce will be subject to these RRC policies again, and that Pierce's claims are not "capable of repetition, yet evading review." See Cox v. McCarthy, 829 F.2d 800, 803, 804 n.3 (9th Cir. 1987). Pierce's substantive objections to the RRC policies are adequately raised in Sacora v. Thomas, Case No. 10-35553.<sup>1</sup>

## AFFIRMED.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This case was argued together with *Sass v. Thomas*, Case No. 09-35830, and *Sacora v. Thomas*, Case No. 10-35553.