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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ERNEST DEWAYNE JONES, Petitioner,

VS.

KEVIN CHAPPELL, Warden of California State Prison at San Quentin, Respondent. Case No.: CV 09-02158-CJC

ORDER AMENDING BRIEFING SCHEDULE AND SETTING HEARING ON CLAIM 27

The Court is in receipt of the parties' opening briefs regarding Claim 27 in Petitioner's First Amended Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus. Having reviewed Petitioner's brief, as well as Respondent's 8-page brief, the Court no longer believes that an extended briefing schedule on this matter is necessary. Accordingly, the briefing schedule on Claim 27 is hereby amended as follows:

- 1. The parties' simultaneous responsive briefs shall be filed by July 3, 2014;
- 2. The parties' simultaneous reply briefs shall be filed by July 18, 2014; and
- 3. The hearing on Claim 27 is scheduled for August 4, 2014 at 11 a.m.

Attached to this Order is a chart of the case status of 496 individuals sentenced to death in California between 1978 and 1997. The chart is a compilation of publicly available information from the court dockets of the four federal judicial districts in California, the public docket of the California Supreme Court, and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's ("CDCR") list of condemned inmates. The chart strongly suggests that executing those essentially random few who outlive the dysfunctional post-conviction review process serves no penological purpose and is arbitrary in violation of well-established constitutional principles. The parties are encouraged to address the chart and the troubling issues it raises in their responsive briefs.

DATED: June 11, 2014

CORMAC J. CARNEY

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

¹ The CDCR's list is available at

http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/capital_punishment/docs/condemnedinmatelistsecure.pdf. A summary of the CDCR list is available at

http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/Capital_Punishment/docs/CondemnedInmateSummary.pdf. Finally, the CDCR's list of Death Row inmates that have died on Death Row since 1978 is available at http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/Capital_Punishment/docs/CONDEMNEDINMATESWHOHAVEDIED SINCE1978.pdf.