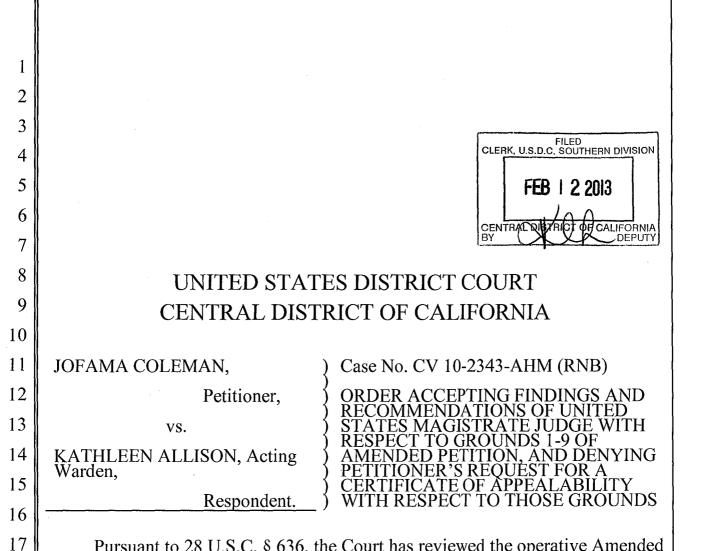
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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636, the Court has reviewed the operative Amended 18 Petition, the records on file herein, and the Partial Report and Recommendation of the 19 United States Magistrate Judge. Objections to the Partial Report and 20Recommendation have been filed by petitioner, and the Court has made a <u>de novo</u> determination of those portions of the Partial Report and Recommendation to which 22 objections have been made. For the reasons stated in the Partial Report and 23 Recommendation, the Court accepts the findings and recommendations of the 24 Magistrate Judge.

IT THEREFORE IS ORDERED that (1) insofar as they relate to Grounds 1-9 of the Amended Petition, petitioner's Motion to Expand the Record and his request for an evidentiary hearing are denied; and (2) Grounds 1-9 of the Amended Petition are denied.

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In conjunction with his objections to the Partial Report and Recommendation, petitioner has requested that the Court issue a Certificate of Appealability ("COA") 2 3 with respect to 12 issues relating to the Partial Report and Recommendation. Although the Court's Order accepting the findings and recommendations in the 4 Magistrate Judge's Partial Report and Recommendation is not a final appealable 5 order, the Court has decided to address petitioner's COA request at this time. 6

Under 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2), a COA may issue "only if the applicant has 7 made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." The Supreme 8 Court has held that this standard means a showing that "reasonable jurists could 9 debate whether (or, for that matter, agree that) the petition should have been resolved 10 in a different manner or that the issues presented were adequate to deserve 11 encouragement to proceed further." See Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 483-84, 12 120 S. Ct. 1595, 146 L. Ed. 2d 542 (2000) (internal quotation marks omitted). 13

Here, after duly considering petitioner's objections to the Partial Report and 14 Recommendation and his contentions in support of his COA request, the Court finds 15 and concludes that petitioner has not made the requisite showing with respect to any 16 of the issues for which a COA is sought. Accordingly, petitioner's COA request is 17 18 denied.

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