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Clerk of Court

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

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Dear Sir/Madam:

The following documents are enclosed:

1. Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus by a Person in:
  - Federal Custody (Form CV-27) (four copies) along with one copy of Title 28 U.S. Code Sections 2241 and 2242
  - State Custody (Form CV-69) (four copies) along with one copy of Title 28 U.S. Code Sections 2244(d), 2254 and Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases; and Consent to Proceed Before a United States Magistrate Judge (State Habeas Case) (Form CV-11B) (two copies) along with one copy of Title 28 U.S. Code Section 636
2. Local Rules 72-3, and 83-16

The judges of this court have adopted for use the enclosed *Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus* form. You must read the instructions carefully, and comply with its requirements and instructions. Once fully completed, return an original and two copies to this office for filing. You should keep a copy for your records.

The filing fee for a Petition for Habeas Corpus is \$5.00, payable to: Clerk, U.S. District Court. The Clerk's Office will also accept credit cards (Mastercard, Visa, Diners Club, Discover, American Express) for filing fees and miscellaneous fees. Credit card payments may be made at all payment windows where receipts are issued.

**If you are without funds**, execute the *Declaration to Proceed in Forma Pauperis* contained within the form. In addition to the declaration, an authorized officer of the institution must complete the Certificate contained in the *Declaration to Proceed in Forma Pauperis* as to how much money the institution has on deposit in your account.

**CONSENT TO A MAGISTRATE JUDGE (STATE HABEAS CASES ONLY)**

In order to encourage the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of habeas cases filed in this district, the parties may waive their right to proceed before a district judge and consent to magistrate judge jurisdiction. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636 (c), upon the consent of all the parties to such jurisdiction, the magistrate judge assigned to this case will conduct all proceedings, decide all dispositive and non-dispositive matters, and order the entry of the final judgment. The party who does not prevail may appeal directly to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in the same manner as an appeal from the final judgment of a district judge.

The judges of this court encourage the parties to consent to magistrate judge jurisdiction as it may result in an earlier resolution of the matter. However, you are free to withhold consent to magistrate judge jurisdiction. If you do not consent, the assigned magistrate judge will continue to decide all non-dispositive matters, and will issue a Report and Recommendation to the district judge as to all dispositive matters.

If you do consent to magistrate judge jurisdiction, you should execute and return the enclosed Consent to Proceed Before a United States Magistrate Judge (State Habeas Case) form (CV-11B) with your petition.

Sincerely,  
Clerk, U. S. District Court

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

**UNITED STATES CODE SECTIONS  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

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**TITLE 28 UNITED STATES CODE**

**§ 2241. POWER TO GRANT WRIT**

(a) Writs of habeas corpus may be granted by the Supreme Court, any justice thereof, the district courts and any circuit judge within their respective jurisdictions. The order of a circuit judge shall be entered in the records of the district court of the district wherein the restraint complained of is had.

(b) The Supreme Court, any justice thereof, and any circuit judge may decline to entertain an application for a writ of habeas corpus and may transfer the application for hearing and determination to the district court having jurisdiction to entertain it.

(c) The writ of habeas corpus shall not extend to a prisoner unless--

(1) He is in custody under or by color of the authority of the United States or is committed for trial before some court thereof; or

(2) He is in custody for an act done or omitted in pursuance of an Act of Congress, or an order, process, judgment or decree of a court or judge of the United States; or

(3) He is in custody in violation of the Constitution or laws or treaties of the United States; or

(4) He, being a citizen of a foreign state and domiciled therein is in custody for an act done or omitted under any alleged right, title, authority, privilege, protection, or exemption claimed under the commission, order or sanction of any foreign state, or under color thereof, the validity and effect of which depend upon the law of nations; or

(5) It is necessary to bring him into court to testify or for trial.

(d) Where an application for a writ of habeas corpus is made by a person in custody under the judgment and sentence of a State court of a State which contains two or more Federal judicial districts, the application may be filed in the district court for the district wherein such person is in custody or in the district court for the district within which the State court was held which convicted and sentenced him and each of such district courts shall have concurrent jurisdiction to entertain the application. The district court for the district wherein such an application is filed in the exercise of its discretion and in furtherance of justice may transfer the application to the other district court for hearing and determination.

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**§ 2242. APPLICATION**

Application for a writ of habeas corpus shall be in writing signed and verified by the person for whose relief it is intended or by someone acting in his behalf.

It shall allege the facts concerning the applicant's commitment or detention, the name of the person who has custody over him and by virtue of what claim or authority, if known.

It may be amended or supplemented as provided in the rules of procedure applicable to civil actions.

If addressed to the Supreme Court, a justice thereof or a circuit judge it shall state the reasons for not making application to the district court of the district in which the applicant is held.

**LOCAL RULES  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

**LOCAL RULE 83-16 HABEAS CORPUS PETITIONS AND MOTIONS UNDER 28 U.S.C. SECTION 2255**

83-16.1 COURT FORMS - A petition for a writ of habeas corpus or a motion filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 2255 shall be submitted on the forms approved and supplied by the Court.

83-16.2 VERIFICATION - OTHER THAN PERSON IN CUSTODY - If the petition or motion is verified by a person other than the individual in custody, the person verifying the document shall set forth the reason why it has not been verified by the person in custody. The person verifying the document shall allege only facts personally known to that person. If facts are alleged upon information and belief, the source of the information and belief shall be stated.

83-16.3 HABEAS CORPUS - EXCLUSION, DEPORTATION AND REMOVAL CASES - A next friend petition for a writ of habeas corpus in exclusion, deportation and removal cases must allege that the petitioner has been authorized by the applicant for admission or respondent in the proceedings to file the petition. If the petition is filed by a relative who is the father, mother, husband, wife, brother, sister, uncle or aunt of the applicant for admission in the proceedings, that fact shall be alleged and authorization to file the petition need not be shown.

**LOCAL RULES  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

**LOCAL RULE 72-3 DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS AND PRISONER PETITIONS**

72-3.1 DUTIES OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE - Upon the assignment of a case covered by F.R.Civ.P. 72, the Magistrate Judge shall conduct all necessary proceedings. Pursuant to Rule 10 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in the United States District Courts, the duties imposed upon a Judge of the District Court may be performed by a full-time Magistrate Judge (except in death penalty cases).

72-3.2 SUMMARY DISMISSAL OF HABEAS CORPUS PETITION - The Magistrate Judge promptly shall examine a petition for writ of habeas corpus, and if it plainly appears from the face of the petition and any exhibits annexed to it that the petitioner is not entitled to relief, the Magistrate Judge may prepare a proposed order for summary dismissal and submit it and a proposed judgment to the District Judge.

72-3.3 REPORT BY MAGISTRATE JUDGE - In habeas cases that are not summarily dismissed, and in all other matters covered by F.R.Civ.P. 72(b) that the Magistrate Judge determines can be resolved without trial, the Magistrate Judge shall file a report which may contain proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations for disposition. If the Magistrate Judge concludes that a trial by a District Judge is required, the Magistrate Judge shall so report to the District Judge.

72-3.4 OBJECTIONS TO REPORT WHERE PARTY IN CUSTODY - If a party is in custody at the time of the filing of the Magistrate Judge's report, the time for filing objections allowed under F.R.Civ.P. 72(b) shall be twenty (20) days or such further time as the Magistrate Judge may order.

72-3.5 DETERMINATION OF OBJECTIONS BY DISTRICT JUDGE - If no objections are filed within the time allowed, the Magistrate Judge shall submit the matter to the District Judge on the basis of the original report. If objections are timely filed, the Magistrate Judge may issue a revised or supplemental report or submit the matter to the District Judge on the basis of the original report.

72-3.6 FILING OF TRANSCRIPT - If an evidentiary hearing was conducted by the Magistrate Judge, the party objecting shall obtain and file a certified transcript of the hearing or pertinent part thereof. Upon application, the Magistrate Judge may extend the time to file the transcript.

NAME

PRISON IDENTIFICATION/BOOKING NO.

ADDRESS OR PLACE OF CONFINEMENT

Note: If represented by an attorney, provide name, address & telephone number. *It is your responsibility to notify the Clerk of Court in writing of any change of address.*

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

FULL NAME (Include name under which you were convicted)

Petitioner,

v.

NAME OF WARDEN, (or other authorized person having custody of petitioner)

Respondent.

CASE NUMBER:

CV

To be supplied by the Clerk of the United States District Court

CR

Criminal case under which sentence was imposed.

**PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS BY  
A PERSON IN FEDERAL CUSTODY  
(28 U.S.C § 2241)**

**INSTRUCTIONS - READ CAREFULLY**

This petition shall be legibly handwritten or typewritten, signed by *the petitioner*, under penalty of perjury. You must set forth **CONCISELY** the answer to each question in the proper space on the form. Any false statement of *a material* fact may serve as the basis for prosecution and conviction for perjury.

You must not attach separate pages to this petition except that ONE separate additional page is permitted in answering Question No.9.

Upon receipt of a fee of \$5.00 your petition will be filed if it is in proper order.

If you are seeking leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* (without paying the \$5.00 filing fee and other court costs), then you must also execute the declaration on the last page, setting forth information which establishes your inability to pay the fees and costs of the proceedings or to give security therefor. If you wish to proceed in forma pauperis, you must have an authorized officer at the penal institution complete the certificate as to the amount of money and securities on deposit to your credit in any account in the institution. If your prison account exceeds \$25.00, you must pay the filing fee as required by the rule of the district court.

When the petition is completed, the original and 3 copies, must be mailed to the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, United States Courthouse, 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90012, ATTENTION: Intake/Docket Section.

Only one sentence, conviction or parole matter may be challenged in a single petition. If you challenge more than one, you must do so by separate petitions.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING: (*Check appropriate number*)

This petition concerns:

1.  a conviction.
2.  a sentence.
3.  jail or prison conditions.
4.  prison discipline.
5.  a parole problem.
6.  other.

### PETITION

1. Place of detention \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name and location of court which imposed sentence \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. The indictment number or numbers (if known) upon which, and the offense or offenses for which, sentence was imposed:
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  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
4. The date upon which sentence was imposed and the terms of the sentence:
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Check whether a finding of guilty was made:
  - a.  After a plea of guilty
  - b.  After a plea of not guilty
  - c.  After a plea of nolo contendere
6. If you were found guilty after a plea of not guilty, check whether that finding was made by:
  - a.  a jury
  - b.  a judge without a jury
7. Did you appeal from the judgment of conviction or the imposition of sentence?  Yes  No
8. If you did appeal, give the following information for each appeal:

**CAUTION:** *If you are attacking a sentence imposed under a federal judgment, you must first file a direct appeal or motion under 28 U.S.C. §2255 in the federal court which entered the judgment.*

- a. (1) Name of court \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) Result \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) Date of result \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) Citation or number of opinion \_\_\_\_\_

(5) Grounds raised (*list each*):

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_

b. (1) Name of court \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Result \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Date of result \_\_\_\_\_

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- (b) \_\_\_\_\_
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9. State **CONCISELY** every ground on which you claim that you are being held unlawfully. Summarize briefly the facts supporting each ground. If necessary, attach a **SINGLE** page only behind this page.

**CAUTION:** *If you fail to set forth all grounds in this petition, you may be barred from presenting additional grounds at a later date. You must state facts, not conclusions in support of your grounds. A rule of thumb to follow is - who did exactly what to violate your rights at what time and place.*

a. Ground one: \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting **FACTS** (tell your story **BRIEFLY** without citing cases or law): \_\_\_\_\_

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b. Ground two: \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting **FACTS** (tell your story **BRIEFLY** without citing cases or law): \_\_\_\_\_

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c. Ground three: \_\_\_\_\_

Supporting FACTS (tell your story BRIEFLY without citing cases or law): \_\_\_\_\_

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d. Ground four: \_\_\_\_\_

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10. Have you filed previous petitions for habeas corpus, motions under Section 2255 of Title 28, United States Code, or any other applications, petitions or motions with respect to this conviction?  Yes  No

11. If your answer to Question No. 10 was yes, give the following information:

a. (1) Name of Court \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Nature of proceeding \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Grounds raised \_\_\_\_\_

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12. If you did not file a motion under Section 2255 of Title 28, United States Code, or if you filed such a motion and it was denied, state why your remedy by way of such motion is inadequate or ineffective to test the legality of your detention:

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13. Are you presently represented by counsel?  Yes  No

If so, provide name, address and telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

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Case name and court \_\_\_\_\_

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14. If you are seeking leave to proceed in forma pauperis, have you completed the declaration setting forth the required information?  Yes  No

WHEREFORE, petitioner prays that the court grant petitioner relief to which he may be entitled in this proceeding,

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Attorney (if any)*

I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on \_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Petitioner*

**DECLARATION IN SUPPORT  
OF REQUEST  
TO PROCEED  
IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Petitioner*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Respondent(s)*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, declare that I am the petitioner in the above entitled case; that in support of my motion to proceed without being required to prepay fees, costs or give security therefor, I state that because of my poverty I am unable to pay the costs of said proceeding or to give security therefor; that I believe I am entitled to relief.

- 1. Are you presently employed?  Yes  No
  - a. If the answer is yes, state the amount of your salary or wages per month, and give the name and address of your employer. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. If the answer is no, state the date of last employment and the amount of the salary and wages per month which you received. \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 2. Have you received, within the past twelve months, any money from any of the following sources?
  - a. Business, profession or form of self-employment?  Yes  No
  - b. Rent payments, interest or dividends?  Yes  No
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  - e. Any other sources?  Yes  No

If the answer to any of the above is yes, describe each source of money and state the amount received from each during the past twelve months: \_\_\_\_\_

- 3. Do you own any cash, or do you have money in a checking or savings account? (*Include any funds in prison accounts*)  Yes  No

If the answer is yes, state the total value of the items owned: \_\_\_\_\_

- 4. Do you own any real estate, stocks, bonds, notes, automobiles, or other valuable property? (*Excluding ordinary household furnishings and clothing*)  Yes  No

If the answer is yes, describe the property and state its approximate value: \_\_\_\_\_

5. List the persons who are dependent upon you for support, state your relationship to those persons, and indicate how much you contribute toward their support: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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**CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the Petitioner herein has the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ on account to his credit at the \_\_\_\_\_ institution where he is confined. I further certify that Petitioner likewise has the following securities to his credit according to the records of said institution:

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*Authorized Officer of Institution*

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Case name and court \_\_\_\_\_

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Executed on \_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Petitioner*

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10. Have you filed previous petitions for habeas corpus, motions under Section 2255 of Title 28, United States Code, or any other applications, petitions or motions with respect to this conviction?  Yes  No

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