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    LAMA UGILEY,
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                   Petitioner,
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                  v.
                                         ) ORDER ACCEPTING REPORT AND
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    SUPERIOR COURT OF LOS ANGELES
                                         ) RECOMMENDATION OF
    COUNTY,
                                          MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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                    Respondent.
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The Court has reviewed the Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus, Respondent's Answer, Petitioner's Traverse, the Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge ("Report"), and Petitioner's objections.

The Court must engage in a de novo review of those portions of the Report to which Petitioner has objected. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b); 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); United States v. Reyna-Tapia, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003). In her objections, Petitioner mostly reargues her claims that (1) CALCRIM No. 318 improperly relieved the prosecution of its burden of proof and denied Petitioner her constitutional rights, and (2) evidence fails to support the trial court's finding that Petitioner had the present ability to pay attorney's fees. The Court overrules these objections for the reasons

stated in the Report.

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For the first time in her objections, Petitioner claims that appellate counsel rendered ineffective assistance "by failing to federalize the issue" of Petitioner's ability to pay attorney's fees. "[A] district court has discretion, but is not required, to consider evidence presented for the first time in a party's objection to a magistrate judge's recommendation." Brown v. Roe, 279 F.3d 742, 744 (9th Cir. 2002), citing *United States v. Howell*, 231 F.3d 615, 621 (9th Cir. 2000). The Court has considered and rejects Petitioner's claim of ineffective assistance. A cursory reference to appellate counsel's failure to "federalize the issue" falls woefully short of supporting, let alone stating, a claim of ineffective assistance of counsel. Moreover, Petitioner's new claim has not been exhausted in state court and therefore is not appropriate for review. See Collins v. Arnold, 2017 WL 2468767, at \*1 (C.D. Cal. Jun. 6, 2017); see also Griffin v. Davis, 2017 WL 1649999, at \*1 (C.D. Cal. Apr. 28, 2017).

The Court accepts the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations contained in the Report. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that (1) the Report and Recommendation is accepted and adopted, and (2) Judgment shall be entered denying the Petition and dismissing this action with prejudice.

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DATED: June 21, 2017

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United States District Judge

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