1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 1:16-cv-01427 GSA (PC) ROBERT BENYAMINI, 12 Plaintiff. ORDER TRANSFERRING CASE TO THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 13 v. 14 MARTIN STEED, et al., 15 Defendants. 16 17 Plaintiff, a former detainee proceeding pro se, has filed a civil rights action pursuant to 42 18 U.S.C. § 1983. 19 The federal venue statute requires that a civil action, other than one based on diversity 20 jurisdiction, be brought only in "(1) a judicial district where any defendant resides, if all 21 defendants reside in the same state, (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events 22 or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred, or a substantial part of the property that is the subject of the action is situated, or (3) a judicial district in which any defendant may be found, if 23 24 there is no district in which the action may otherwise be brought." 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b). In this case, none of the defendants reside in this district. The claim arose in San Luis 25 26 Obispo County, which is in the Central District of California. Therefore, plaintiff's claim should 27 have been filed in the United States District Court for the Central District of California. In the

interest of justice, a federal court may transfer a complaint filed in the wrong district to the

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correct district. See 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a); Starnes v. McGuire, 512 F.2d 918, 932 (D.C. Cir. 1974). Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this matter is transferred to the United States District Court for the Central District of California. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: September 29, 2016 /s/ Gary S. Austin UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE