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8	UNITED STAT	TES DISTRICT COURT
9	CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA	
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11	STEPHEN RICARDO BANKS,) Case No. CV 16-7975-JGB (JPR)
12	Petitioner,	
13	V.) ORDER SUMMARILY DISMISSING HABEAS) PETITION AND ADMINISTRATIVELY
14	W.L. MUNIZ, Warden,) CLOSING CASE)
15	Respondent.)
16)

17 On March 8, 2017, the Magistrate Judge ordered Petitioner to 18 show cause why his federal habeas Petition should not be 19 dismissed without prejudice under Younger v. Harris, 401 U.S. 37, 20 45-46 (1971), because the conviction and sentence he challenged 21 were not yet final. She gave Petitioner until March 29, 2017, to 22 respond to the OSC and warned him that if he did not do so, his 23 Petition could be dismissed for the reasons stated in the OSC 24 "and/or for failure to prosecute." Petitioner has not responded 25 to the OSC or requested an extension of time to do so. His 26 appeal of his state conviction and resentencing remain pending in 27 the state court of appeal.

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Rule 4 of the Rules Governing § 2254 Cases states that a

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1 district judge "must dismiss" a petition "[i]f it plainly appears 2 from the petition and any attached exhibits that the petitioner 3 is not entitled to relief." <u>See also</u> C.D. Cal. R. 72-3.2 4 (providing for magistrate judges to prepare summary-dismissal 5 orders for district judges' signature).

Accordingly, for the reasons stated in the Magistrate Judge's March 8, 2017 Order to Show Cause, the Petition is DISMISSED without prejudice. The Clerk is directed to administratively close this case.

JESUS G. BERNAL U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

Presented by:

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Jean Rosenbluth U.S. Magistrate Judge

DATED: April 27, 2017