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                       UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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                       CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
                              WESTERN DIVISION
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11 MARK DAVIS,
                                     ) Case No. CV 17-2285-SJO(AJW)
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                  Petitioner,
                                      MEMORANDUM AND ORDER
                                      DISMISSING PETITION
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             v.
14 SANDRA PENNYWELL,
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                  Respondent.
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        In 2010, petitioner was convicted of two counts of first degree
18 murder and two counts of assault with a firearm. He was sentenced to
19 state prison for a term of life without the possibility of parole plus
  50 years. [Petition at 2].
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        On March 19, 2013, petitioner filed a petition for a writ of
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22 habeas corpus in this Court challenging his 2010 conviction. Case No.
23 CV 13-1971-SJO(AJW). On February 4, 2014, judgment was entered denying
24 the petition on the merits.
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        Petitioner filed the current petition for a writ of habeas corpus
26 on March 23, 2016. The petition again challenges petitioner's 2010
27 conviction.
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"Before a second or successive application permitted by this 1 section is filed in the district court, the applicant shall move in the 3 appropriate court of appeals for an order authorizing the district court to consider the application." 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b)(3)(A). Absent 5 authorization from the Court of Appeals, this Court lacks jurisdiction over a successive petition. <u>See Magwood v. Patterson</u>, 561 U.S. 320,  $7 \parallel 330-331 \ (2010);$  Cooper v. Calderon, 274 F.3d 1270, 1274 (9th Cir. 2001), <u>cert. denied</u>, 538 U.S. 984 (2003).

To the extent that petitioner might contend that his petition 10 meets an exception to the bar on successive petitions, he must present 11 any such argument first to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Because 12 petitioner has not obtained leave from the Court of Appeals, this successive petition is dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. 1

It is so ordered.

15 Dated: March 29, 2017

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S. James Otero United States District Judge

<sup>1</sup> Ninth Circuit Rule No. 22-3(a) provides that "[i]f a second or successive petition or motion, or an application for authorization to file such a petition or motion, is mistakenly submitted to the district court, the district court shall refer it to the court of appeals." Because the circumstances indicate that petitioner intentionally filed this action in this Court, not that he did so mistakenly, Rule 22-3(a) is inapplicable. Nevertheless, the Clerk is directed to mail petitioner a copy of Ninth Circuit Form 12 so that petitioner may file an application for leave to file a second or successive petition in the Court of Appeals.