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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MICHAEL LARUE THOMAS,

1:07-cv-01190 AWI GSA (HC)

Petitioner,

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR  
APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL

vs.

HEDGEPEETH,

(DOCUMENT #23)

Respondent.

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Petitioner has requested the appointment of counsel. This case is closed, judgment having been entered on May 4, 2009. It is currently on appeal before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that petitioner's request for appointment of counsel is denied.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

**Dated: July 6, 2009**

**/s/ Gary S. Austin**  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE