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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

RITA NINA FLOYD,

1:10-cv-00254 SMS (HC)

Petitioner,

ORDER AUTHORIZING IN FORMA  
PAUPERIS STATUS

v.

ARLENE HICKSON,

Respondent.

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Petitioner is a state prisoner proceeding pro se with a petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915, petitioner is hereby AUTHORIZED to proceed *in forma pauperis*.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

**Dated:** March 4, 2010

/s/ Sandra M. Snyder  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE