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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MICHAEL DAVID PIERCE,

1:10-cv-00526-SMS (HC)

Petitioner,

ORDER AUTHORIZING
IN FORMA PAUPERIS STATUS

vs.

DIRECTOR OF CORRECTIONS AND
REHABILITATION,

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 30, 2010

/s/ Sandra M. Snyder
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE