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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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9 CHRISTOPHER LIPSEY, JR.,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 M. GUZMAN,

13 Defendant.
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Case No. 1:17-cv-00896-EPG (PC)

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION
TO EXPEDITE SCREENING

(ECF No. 10)

16 Christopher Lipsey, Jr. ("Plaintiff") is a state prisoner proceeding *pro se* and *in forma*
17 *pauperis* in this civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff filed the Complaint
18 commencing this action on July 6, 2017 (ECF No. 1), and a First Amended Complaint on
19 October 11, 2017 (ECF No. 9). On January 24, 2018, Plaintiff filed a motion to expedite
20 screening. (ECF No. 10).

21 Plaintiff alleges that "he is currently facing charges that carry the death penalty," and
22 that "Plaintiff may very well no longer be competent or willing to see these cases through once
23 condemn[ed]."

24 The Court generally screens complaints in the order in which they are filed, and strives
25 to avoid delays whenever possible. However, due to the number of civil rights cases presently
26 pending before the Court, it cannot guarantee screening Plaintiff's case as quickly as requested.

27 Further, Plaintiff has not provided any reason why his complaint should be screened
28 earlier than complaints that were filed before his. Plaintiff does not allege that anything will

1 occur in the immediate future that will prevent him from prosecuting this case.

2 Accordingly, based on the foregoing, IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff's motion to
3 expedite is DENIED.

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5 IT IS SO ORDERED.

6 Dated: January 25, 2018

7 /s/ Eric P. Grogan
8 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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