1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 GARY DALE BARGER Case No. 1:17-cv-01067-SAB-HC aka GARY FRANCIS FISHER, 12 ORDER DENYING MOTION TO BE **HEARD** 13 Petitioner, (ECF No. 2) 14 v. DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS OF CDCR, 15 16 Respondent. 17 Petitioner is proceeding pro se with a petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 18 19 20 21 (ECF No. 2 at 1-2).1 22

U.S.C. § 2254. In the instant motion to be heard, Petitioner requests copies of his pending petition, applications to proceed in forma pauperis, and a printout of all of Petitioner's cases in the Eastern District dating back to 2012 so that he "can order some of [his] old cases back."

Petitioner has been granted in forma pauperis status in the instant proceeding. (ECF No. 4). However, the fact that the Court has granted leave for Petitioner to proceed in forma pauperis does not entitle him to free copies of documents from the Court. The Clerk of Court is not required to furnish copies without costs to an indigent petitioner except by order of the judge. 28 U.S.C. § 2250. Petitioner is advised that it is his responsibility to retain any and all copies of

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documents filed and received pertaining to this case. The Clerk of Court does not ordinarily provide free copies of case documents to parties. The Clerk charges \$0.50 per page for copies of documents. Copies may be made by the Clerk's Office at this Court upon written request and prepayment of the copies fee.

Petitioner does not explain the reason why he needs copies of the documents he requests. Accordingly, the Court DENIES the motion (ECF No. 2) without prejudice to filing a new request setting forth which specific documents Petitioner requires and why.

8 IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 17, 2017