

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DOUGLAS MACKENZIE,
Petitioner,
v.
JEFF SESSIONS,
Respondent.

1:17 -cv-01623-JLT (HC)

**ORDER AUTHORIZING
IN FORMA PAUPERIS STATUS**

JEFF SESSIONS.

Respondent.

Petitioner is a civil detainee proceeding pro se in a petition for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner filed his petition on December 1, 2017. Individuals detained pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code § 6600 et seq. are civil detainees and are not prisoners within the meaning of the Prison Litigation Reform Act. Page v. Torrey, 201 F.3d 1136, 1140 (9th Cir. 2000). Petitioner is hereby AUTHORIZED to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The petition will be screened in due course.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **December 8, 2017**

/s/ Jennifer L. Thurston
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE