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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
9	EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA	
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11	KEITH WRIGHT,	1:18-cv-00319 GSA (PC)
12	Plaintiff,	ORDER TRANSFERRING CASE TO THE
13	V.	WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA
14	UNKNOWN GATE OPERATOR, et al.,	
15	Defendants.	
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17	Plaintiff, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has filed a civil rights action pursuant to 42	
18	U.S.C. § 1983.	
19	The federal venue statute requires that a civil action, other than one based on diversity	
20	jurisdiction, be brought only in "(1) a judicial district where any defendant resides, if all	
21	defendants reside in the same state, (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events	
22	or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred, or a substantial part of the property that is the	
23	subject of the action is situated, or (3) a judicial district in which any defendant may be found, if	
24	there is no district in which the action may otherwise be brought." 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).	
25	In this case, none of the defendants reside in this district. The claim arose in Beckham	
26	County, which is in the Western District of Oklahoma. Therefore, plaintiff's complaint should	
27	have been filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma. In the	
28	interest of justice, a federal court may transfe	er a complaint filed in the wrong district to the

1	correct district. See 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a); Starnes v. McGuire, 512 F.2d 918, 932 (D.C. Cir.	
2	1974).	
3	Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this matter is transferred to the United	
4	States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma.	
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6	IT IS SO ORDERED.	
7	Dated: March 8, 2018 /s/ Gary S. Austin UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE	
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