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                     IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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                    FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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   In re
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                                             2:07-cv-1180-GEB-KJM-PS
   JAMES M. KINCAID and ESTRELLA A.
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   KINCAID,
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                        Debtors.
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              On June 18, 2007, pro se Petitioners Estrella Kincaid and
   James Kincaid, debtors in a bankrupcty action pending in the Eastern
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   District of California, 05-21390-B-7, filed an Emergency Ex Parte
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   Petition for Writ of Mandamus "request[ing] that this court issue a
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   writ of mandamus disqualifying judge Thomas Holman from [the]
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   Kincaids' case and to continue [the hearing on the Kincaids' motion
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   for recusal scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m. on June 19, 2007] until
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   disposition of this motion for writ of mandamus." (Petition at 5.)
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              Issuance of a writ of mandamus is "an extraordinary remedy"
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   justified only by "exceptional circumstances." In re Corrugated
   Container Antitrust Litiq., 614 F.2d 958, 962 (5th Cir. 1980). Since
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   Petitioners have not shown that their right to mandamus relief is
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   "clear and indisputable," their petition is denied.
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   Burnham Lambert, Inc., 861 F.2d 1307, 1312, 1313 (2nd Cir. 1988)
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("[U]pon reviewing [a] petition [for writ of mandamus, a reviewing court] must determine whether [the judge that failed to recuse himself] can 'indisputably' be said to have abused his discretion in denying the motion to recuse himself. . . Absent such a showing, mandamus will not lie."); see also In re Corrugated Container

Antitrust Litiq., 614 F.2d at 962 ("[T]he writ of mandamus 'is an order directing a public official . . . to perform a duty exacted by law,' and 'will not issue to correct a duty that is to any degree debatable' The party seeking the writ carries the burden of proving a 'clear and indisputable' right to issuance of the writ . . . [D]efendants manifestly cannot demonstrate a 'clear and indisputable' right to issuance of the writ [since] [t]he legal duty of [a] judge to disqualify himself is not merely debatable it is nonexistent.") (internal citations omitted).

Further, this action is duplicative of other actions filed in this court. (See 2:06-cv-01682-WBS, 2:06-cv-01684-RRB.) Therefore, this action is dismissed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 19, 2007

GARLAND E. BURRELL, JR. United States District Judge