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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 TEDDY S. WILLIAMS,

11 Petitioner,

No. CIV S-08-2948 EFB P

12 vs.

13 EDWARD S. ALAMEIDA, JR., et al.,

14 Respondents.

ORDER

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16 Petitioner is a state prisoner without counsel seeking a writ of habeas corpus. *See* 28
17 U.S.C. § 2254. He seeks leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915. However,
18 petitioner has commenced this action in the wrong district.

19 Petitioner was convicted in the Santa Barbara Superior Court, and is confined at Wasco
20 State Prison. Although this court and the United States District Court in the district where
21 petitioner was convicted both have jurisdiction, *see Braden v. 30th Judicial Circuit Court*, 410
22 U.S. 484, 499-500 (1973), witnesses and evidence necessary for the resolution of petitioner's
23 application are more readily available in the county of conviction, *Id.* at 499 n. 15; 28 U.S.C.
24 § 2241(d).

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1 Therefore, the court takes no action on petitioner's application to proceed *in forma*
2 *pauperis*, and transfers this action to the Western Division of the United States District Court for
3 the Central District of California. 28 U.S.C. §§ 84(c)(2); 1404(a).

4 Accordingly, it is ORDERED that this action is transferred to the Western Division of the
5 United States District Court for the Central District of California.

6 Dated: April 13, 2009.

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8 EDMUND F. BRENNAN
9 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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