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8	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
10	GERALD COLLINS,
11	Petitioner, No. 2:10-cv-2766 KJN P
12	VS.
13	S. SALINAS,
14	Respondent. <u>ORDER</u>
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16	Petitioner has requested the appointment of counsel. There currently exists no
17	absolute right to appointment of counsel in habeas proceedings. See Nevius v. Sumner, 105 F.3d
18	453, 460 (9th Cir. 1996). However, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A authorizes the appointment of counsel at
19	any stage of the case "if the interests of justice so require." See Rule 8(c), Fed. R. Governing
20	§ 2254 Cases. In the present case, the court does not find that the interests of justice would be
21	served by the appointment of counsel at the present time.
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1	Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that petitioner's November 9, 2010
2	request for appointment of counsel is denied without prejudice to a renewal of the motion at a
3	later stage of the proceedings.
4	DATED: November 17, 2010
5	KENDALL J. NEWMAN
6	UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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