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

JOSE STEWART BENAVIDEZ,

Petitioner,

No. CIV S-10-3132 MCE GGH P

vs.

MICHAEL MARTEL,

Respondent.

ORDER

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Pursuant to the Order, filed on December 13, 2010, petitioner, by filing dated December 22, 2010, has submitted an in forma pauperis application which reveals that petitioner is unable to afford the costs of suit.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that petitioner's application to proceed in forma pauperis is granted. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a).

DATED: January 10, 2010

/s/ Gregory G. Hollows

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GREGORY G. HOLLOWS  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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