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

JUAN IGNACIO LOPEZ,

Petitioner,

No. CIV S-10-3165 GGH P

vs.

S.M. SALINAS, Warden,

Respondent.

ORDER

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Petitioner, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has filed an application for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254, together with a request to proceed in forma pauperis. In his application, petitioner challenges a conviction issued by the Merced County Superior Court.<sup>1</sup> Merced County is part of the Fresno Division of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. See Local Rule 120(d).

Pursuant to Local Rule 120(f), a civil action which has not been commenced in the proper division of a court may, on the court’s own motion, be transferred to the proper division of the court. Therefore, this action will be transferred to the Fresno Division of the

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<sup>1</sup> Petitioner lists the court of his conviction as “District Court of Appeals Eastern District...Sacramento California.” However, a review of the exhibits attached to his petition clearly shows that petitioner was convicted in Merced County.

1 court. This court will not rule on petitioner's request to proceed in forma pauperis.

2 Good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

3 1. This court has not ruled on petitioner's request to proceed in forma pauperis;

4 2. This action is transferred to the United States District Court for the Eastern  
5 District of California sitting in Fresno; and

6 3. All future filings shall reference the new Fresno case number assigned and  
7 shall be filed at:

8 United States District Court  
9 Eastern District of California  
10 2500 Tulare Street  
11 Fresno, CA 93721

11 DATED: December 13, 2010

12 /s/ Gregory G. Hollows

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14 GREGORY G. HOLLOWES  
15 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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