1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 GARY LEE HENSLEY, No. 2:14-cv-1740 MCE DAD PS 12 Plaintiff. 13 v. **ORDER** 14 COUNTY OF VENTURA, et al., 15 Defendants. 16 17 Plaintiff, Gary Hensley, is proceeding in this action pro se. This matter was referred to the undersigned in accordance with Local Rule 302(c)(21) and 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Plaintiff has 18 19 filed a complaint and has requested leave to proceed in forma pauperis pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 20 1915. 21 The allegations of plaintiff's complaint, however, reveal that both plaintiff and the named 22 defendants reside in Ventura County, California, and that the events at issue also occurred in Ventura County, California. Venue in a civil action is proper in (1) a judicial district where any 23 24 defendant resides, if all defendants reside in the same State in which the district is located, (2) a 25 judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim 26 occurred or (3) a judicial district in which any defendant is subject to personal jurisdiction at the 27 time the action is commenced, if there is no district in which the action may otherwise be brought.

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28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

Here, the complaint alleges that the events giving rise to this action took place in Ventura County, California, which is also where the named defendants reside and are located. This action, therefore, should have been brought in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, as Ventura County is part of that district. In the interests of justice, this action will be transferred to the United States District Court for the Central District of California for further proceedings, including a ruling on plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis and the screening of plaintiff's complaint. See 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a).

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that this action is transferred to the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

Dated: October 27, 2014

DALE A. DROZD

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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