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

RALPH D. MORELAND, ) No. C 15-0054 LHK (PR)  
Petitioner, ) ORDER OF TRANSFER  
vs. )  
ERIC ARNOLD, )  
Respondent. )

16 Petitioner, proceeding *pro se*, filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28  
17 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner seeks habeas relief from his underlying criminal sentence from the  
18 Superior Court of Solano County, which lies in the Eastern District of California. Venue for a  
19 habeas action is proper in either the district of confinement or the district of conviction, 28  
20 U.S.C. § 2241(d); however, petitions challenging a conviction or sentence are preferably heard in  
21 the district of conviction. *See* Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b)(1); *Laue v. Nelson*, 279 F. Supp. 265, 266  
22 (N.D. Cal. 1968). Here, the Eastern District of California is the district of conviction.  
23 Accordingly, this case is TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Eastern  
24 District of California. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a). The Clerk shall transfer the entire file to the  
25 Eastern District of California.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: 1/30/15

Lucy H. Koh  
LUCY H. KOH  
United States District Judge