1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 10 11 No. 2:15-cv-0727-MCE-EFB MITRA ERAMI, individually and on behalf of other members of the general 12 public similarly situated, 13 **ORDER** Plaintiff, 14 ٧. 15 JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, 16 Defendant. 17 18 This is a wage and hour class action originally filed by Plaintiff Mitra Erami in the 19 Solano County Superior Court and removed to this Court under the provisions of the 20 Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 ("CAFA"), 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d). Presently before the 21 Court is Plaintiff's Motion to Transfer Venue to the Northern District of California (ECF 22 No. 8). According to Plaintiff's counsel, he was under the mistaken belief that Plaintiff 23 worked in Solano County rather than on Solano Avenue in Berkeley, California. 24 According to attorney Wynne, because of that error, he filed in Solano County rather 25 than Alameda County, where the City of Berkeley is located. Decl. of Edward J. Wynne, 26 ECF No. 8-2, ¶¶ 2-3. Alameda County is within the Northern District of California. 27 ///28 /// 1

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a), Plaintiff represents that venue in the Northern District is more convenient both for witnesses and the parties, and that the interests of justice will accordingly be served by such a transfer. He points out that Plaintiff worked in Berkeley, lives in Richmond, and that most of his fellow employees and supervisors likely live in the area encompassed by the Northern District. Plaintiff's counsel informed the Court that he met and conferred with defense counsel on April 16, 2015, and that Defendant does not oppose Plaintiff's transfer request. Wynne Decl., ¶ 4. Indeed, no opposition has been filed.

Based on the foregoing, Plaintiff's Motion to Transfer (ECF No. 8), is GRANTED. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a), the above-captioned case is hereby transferred to the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 3, 2015

MORRISON C. ENGLAND, JR, CHIEF JUDGE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT