

Plaintiff Randy L. Thomas, acting *pro se*, filed two documents in this district on behalf 15 of himself and his minor son, Alfred T. Thomas, including a "petition & motion of respondent 16 No. 2 for removal to U.S. District Court" and a "Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus." The 17 documents challenged an order issued by Moore County Superior Court in North Carolina in a 18 dispute between plaintiff and defendant Aida Correa regarding the custody of Alfred Thomas. 19 The Clerk inadvertently docketed both filings under the above-captioned case number instead of 20 in an already-existing case in this district regarding the same dispute that was assigned to 21 Magistrate Judge Chen. See C. 09-1487(EMC). On July 7, 2009, an order interpreted 22 plaintiff's filings in the above-captioned case number as attempts at amendment in the action 23 before Magistrate Judge Chen. The Clerk was ordered to close the above-captioned case 24 number and refile plaintiff's submissions in Case No. 09-1487(EMC). Magistrate Judge Chen 25 considered the merits of plaintiff's submissions and dismissed them with prejudice on July 10, 26 2009.

Plaintiff subsequently filed a "motion for leave for ECF" and a "motion for emergency relief — temporary custody" using the above-captioned case number, notwithstanding the fact that it was closed. These appeared to be attempts to relitigate the same issues that had already

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Now plaintiff has filed yet another submission using the above-captioned case number entitled "Notice of Appeal." It appears to be a request directed to the undersigned for reconsideration of the orders to close this matter and refile plaintiff's four earlier submissions in the matter before Magistrate Judge Chen. Reconsideration is **DENIED**. Plaintiff's motions have already been dismissed on the merits with prejudice by Magistrate Judge Chen. Plaintiff cannot relitigate them now merely because initially they were inadvertently docketed in the abovecaptioned case number. The above-captioned case number is closed and plaintiff is **ORDERED** to stop filing submissions using it.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 29, 2009.

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WILLIAM ALSUP UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE