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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ROBERT W. NEAL,

Petitioner,

v.

WARDEN OF SATF, et al.,

Respondent.

Case No.16-cv-05978-JD

ORDER OF TRANSFER

Re: Dkt. Nos. 7, 8, 14, 18

This is a habeas case filed pro se by a state prisoner. Petitioner seeks to challenge a conviction obtained in Plumas County. Plumas County is in the venue of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. Petitioner is incarcerated in Corcoran, CA, which is also located in the Eastern District of California.

Venue for a habeas action is proper in either the district of confinement or the district of conviction, 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d); this district is neither. Because petitions challenging a conviction are preferably heard in the district of conviction, Habeas L.R. 2254-3(a); Laue v. Nelson, 279 F. Supp. 265, 266 (N.D. Cal. 1968), and petitioner was convicted in Plumas County, this case is TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. See 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a); Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b). Petitioner's motions (Docket Nos. 7, 8, 14, 18) are **VACATED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 18, 2016

JAMES DONATO United States District Judge

Northern District of California United States District Court

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1 2 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 3 ROBERT W. NEAL, 4 Case No. 16-cv-05978-JD Plaintiff, 5 v. **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 6 WARDEN OF SATF, et al., 7 Defendants. 8 9 I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. 10 District Court, Northern District of California. 11 12 That on November 18, 2016, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by 13 placing said copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by 14 depositing said envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery 15 receptacle located in the Clerk's office. 16 17 Robert W. Neal ID: AN1615 PO Box 5244 18 Corcoran, CA 93212 19 20 Dated: November 18, 2016 21 22 Susan Y. Soong Clerk, United States District Court 23

LISA R. CLARK, Deputy Clerk to the Honorable JAMES DONATO