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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
7 OAKLAND DIVISION
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9 Steven W. BONILLA,
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11 Petitioner,

12 v.

13 Vincent CULLEN, Acting Warden of
14 San Quentin State Prison,

15 Respondent.

Case Number 08-0471 CW

DEATH PENALTY CASE

ORDER DENYING REQUEST FOR
DISCOVERY

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18 Petitioner Steven Bonilla has been sentenced to death by the
19 Superior Court of California for the County of Alameda. Although
20 his state habeas case is currently being litigated, he has filed
21 a "protective petition" in this Court pursuant to Pace v.
22 DiGuglielmo, 544 U.S. 408 (2005).

23 Pursuant to Habeas Local Rule 2254-25, this Court earlier
24 granted his request for appointment of counsel and referred this
25 action to the Northern District's Selection Board for the
26 recommendation of qualified counsel to represent Petitioner in
27 these proceedings. Pursuant to Habeas Local Rule 2254-24(a),
28 Petitioner's concurrent request for a stay of execution was also
granted.

1 Although his state habeas case is still pending, Petitioner
2 has filed numerous pro se requests and motions. All of them have
3 been denied by this Court or withdrawn by Petitioner.

4 Petitioner has now filed a Request for Discovery. As with
5 the issues raised in Petitioner's other recent pleadings, the
6 issues in the Request for Discovery are not ripe for this Court
7 to consider. Among other things, as this Court has noted
8 numerous times, Petitioner's state habeas case is still pending
9 in the state court. For the foregoing reasons, Petitioner's
10 Request for Discovery is DENIED.

11 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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14 DATED: 2/14/2011



CLAUDIA WILKEN
United States District Judge