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KEITH HOLDER, No. C 08-2572 CW (PR)

Petitioner,

ORDER APPOINTING COUNSEL v.

BEN CURRY, Warden,

Respondent.

This is a habeas action under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 filed by pro se Petitioner Keith Holder challenging the October 26, 2006 decision of the California Board of Parole Hearings (BPH) to deny him parole. In an order filed on August 6, 2010, the Court granted Petitioner relief and directed the BPH to set a parole date for Petitioner unless it found new evidence, arising after the 2006 hearing, of current dangerousness. Doc. No. 9.

On August 27, 2010, Respondent filed a notice of appeal and an application for a stay of the Court's Order and Judgment pending appeal or, alternatively, a temporary stay of the Order and Judgment to allow Respondent time to seek a stay in the Ninth Circuit.

No. 11.

On September 3, 2010, the Court granted in part and denied in part Respondent's application for a stay. The Court denied the request for a stay pending appeal, but temporarily stayed the Court's August 6, 2010 Order and Judgment to permit Respondent time to seek a stay in the Ninth Circuit. Doc. No. 15. That same day, Respondent filed a motion to stay proceedings in the Ninth Circuit; that Court also set a briefing schedule. See Holder v. Curry, No. 10-16904 (9th Cir. 2010), Doc. Nos. 1 & 2.

On September 14, 2010, a letter filed with the Court from Petitioner indicated that the BPH held another parole suitability hearing on September 7, 2010 at which time the BPH found Petitioner suitable for parole and that Petitioner was scheduled for release on September 9, 2010. See Holder v. Curry, No. C-08-2572 CW (PR) (N.D. Cal. filed May 21, 2008), Doc. No. 17. Nonetheless, Petitioner remains in prison. See Holder v. Curry, No. 10-16904 (9th Cir. 2010), Doc. No. 3.

Although the Sixth Amendment right to counsel does not apply in habeas corpus actions, see <a href="Knaubert v. Goldsmith">Knaubert v. Goldsmith</a>, 791 F.2d 722, 728 (9th Cir. 1986), 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(a)(2)(B) authorizes a district court to appoint counsel to represent a habeas petitioner whenever "the court determines that the interests of justice so require . . . ." Such is the case here.

Good cause appearing, the Court hereby sua sponte APPOINTS COUNSEL to represent Petitioner. The matter is REFERRED to the Federal Public Defender to find representation for Petitioner.

The Clerk of the Court is directed to provide a copy of this Order to the Office of the Federal Public Defender. Upon being notified by the Office of the Federal Public Defender that an attorney has been located to represent Petitioner, the Court will appoint that attorney as counsel for Petitioner.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 10/18/2010

United States District Judge

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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