

1 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 2
 3 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

4 JEROME BROWN,

No. C 10-00074 SBA (PR)

5 Petitioner,

**ORDER GRANTING RESPONDENT'S
 MOTION TO DISMISS PETITION AS
 MOOT**

6 v.

7 RANDY GROUNDS, Acting Warden,

(Docket no. 9)

8 Respondent.
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 10 Petitioner, a state prisoner, filed the present petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to
 11 28 U.S.C. § 2254. On July 12, 2011, mail directed to Petitioner by the Court was returned to the
 12 Clerk of the Court with a notation that it was undeliverable because Petitioner was "deceased."

13 On August 4, 2011, Respondent filed "Request to Dismiss Petition" and attached a certified
 14 copy of Petitioner's death certificate, which shows he died on June 5, 2011. (See Req. to Dismiss,
 15 Ex. 1.)

16 The death of a habeas petitioner renders his petition moot and requires dismissal of the
 17 petition. See Garceau v. Woodford, 399 F.3d 1101, 1101 (9th Cir. 2005). Accordingly,
 18 Respondent's request to dismiss the petition is GRANTED, and the above-titled petition for a writ of
 19 habeas corpus is hereby DISMISSED as moot.

20 The Clerk shall terminate all pending motions and close the file. The Court has rendered its
 21 final decision on this matter; therefore, this Order TERMINATES Petitioner's case.

22 This Order terminates Docket no. 9.

23 IT IS SO ORDERED.

24 DATED: 8/17/11 _____


 SAUNDRA BROWN ARMSTRONG
 United States District Judge