

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

KENNETH WAYNE CHANCE,

No. C 11-00513 SBA (PR)

Petitioner,

ORDER OF TRANSFER

v.

M. MARTEL, Acting Warden,

Respondent.

Petitioner, a state prisoner, has filed a pro se petition for a writ of habeas corpus. He has paid the full filing fee.

Federal statute allows "the Supreme Court, any justice thereof, the district courts and any circuit judge" to grant writs of habeas corpus "within their respective jurisdictions." 28 U.S.C. § 2241(a). A federal petition for a writ of habeas corpus made by a person in custody under the judgment and sentence of a state court is properly filed in either the district of confinement or the district of conviction. Id. § 2241(d). Where a case is filed in the wrong venue, the district court has the discretion to transfer it to the proper federal court "in the interest of justice." See 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a).

Here, Petitioner challenges a conviction and sentence incurred in the El Dorado County Superior Court, which is in the venue of the Eastern District of California. See 28 U.S.C. § 84. Accordingly, that is the proper venue for this action.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a) and Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b), and in the interest of justice, the Clerk of the Court is ordered to TRANSFER this action forthwith to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. All remaining motions are TERMINATED on this Court's docket as no longer pending in this district.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: 2/28/11

Saundra B. Armstrong
SAUNDRA BROWN ARMSTRONG
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

United States District Court
For the Northern District of California

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

4 KENNETH WAYNE CHANCE,

5 Plaintiff,

6 v.

7 M MARTEL et al,

8 Defendant.

Case Number: CV11-00513 SBA

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

9 I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District
10 Court, Northern District of California.

11 That on February 28, 2011, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by placing said
12 copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said
13 envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle
14 located in the Clerk's office.

15 Kenneth Wayne Chance V-56296
16 Mule Creek State Prison
17 P.O. Box 409060
18 Ione, CA 95640

19 Dated: February 28, 2011

20 Richard W. Wieking, Clerk
21 By: LISA R CLARK, Deputy Clerk