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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ROBERT JOHN STOCKTON, JR.,
Petitioner,
vs.
DERREL JOHN ADAMS, Warden,
Respondent.

No. C 11-5562 RMW (PR)
ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR
RECONSIDERATION; ORDER TO
SHOW CAUSE
(Docket No. 7.)

Petitioner, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 challenging the prison’s determination that petitioner was an active gang member. Petitioner states that the decision resulted in his continued indefinite placement in the secured housing unit (“SHU”). He seeks relief overturning his validation as a gang member and ordering his release from the SHU. On March 6, 2012, the court dismissed petitioner’s petition with leave to amend, concluding that his claim was more appropriately addressed in a federal civil rights action. On April 6, 2012, petitioner filed a motion for reconsideration, asking the court to permit his habeas petition to go forward without transforming it into a civil rights complaint, and filed an amended petition.