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

DUANE LEE STOWERS,	)	Case No. C 14-3507 PSG (PR)
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Petitioner,	)	<b>ORDER OF TRANSFER</b>
	)	( AMENDED )
v.	)	
	)	
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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On August 26, 2014, Duane Lee Stowers, a California inmate, filed a *pro se* federal petition for writ of habeas corpus, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Stowers seeks relief from a criminal conviction in San Bernardino, California. San Bernardino lies in the Central District of California. Venue for a habeas action is proper in either the district of confinement or the district of conviction;<sup>1</sup> however, petitions challenging a conviction or sentence are preferably heard in the district of conviction.<sup>2</sup> Here, the Central District of California is the district of conviction. Accordingly, this case is TRANSFERRED to the Central District of California.<sup>3</sup> The clerk shall terminate all pending motions and transfer the entire file to the Central District of California.

<sup>1</sup> See 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d).

<sup>2</sup> See Habeas L.R. 2254-3(a); *Laue v. Nelson*, 279 F. Supp. 265, 266 (N.D. Cal. 1968).

<sup>3</sup> See 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a).

1 IT IS SO ORDERED.

2 DATED: 9/9/2014



3 PAUL S. GREWAL  
4 United States Magistrate Judge

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