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28UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIAALFRED R. SOSA,  
Petitioner,

v.

CORCORAN STATE PRISON,  
Respondent.

Case No. 21-04329 EJD (PR)

**ORDER OF TRANSFER**

Petitioner, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2254, challenging a disciplinary proceeding that occurred while he was housed at California State Prison (CSP) – Sacramento, and resulted the loss of credits. Dkt. No. 5-1 at 35, 40.

Venue for a habeas action is proper in either the district of confinement or the district of conviction, 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d). Federal courts in California traditionally have chosen to hear petitions challenging a conviction or sentence in the district of conviction or sentencing. See Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b)(1); Dannenberg v. Ingle, 831 F. Supp. 767, 768 (N.D. Cal. 1993); Laue v. Nelson, 279 F. Supp. 265, 266 (N.D. Cal. 1968). But if the petition challenges the manner in which a sentence is being executed, e.g., if it involves parole or time credits claims, the district of confinement is the preferable forum. See

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Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b)(2); Dunne v. Henman, 875 F.2d 244, 249 (9th Cir. 1989).

Here, the petition involves time credit claims and Petitioner is currently confined at CSP-Corcoran in Kings County. Dkt. 5 at 1. Kings County lies within the venue of the Eastern District of California. See 28 U.S.C. § 84(b). Therefore, venue properly lies in that district and not in this one. See 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b). Accordingly, this case is TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. See 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a).

The Clerk shall terminate all pending motions and transfer the entire file to the Eastern District of California.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**Dated:** July 15, 2021



EDWARD J. DAVILA  
United States District Judge