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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

KEITH RUBEN BRIDGEWATER,  
Petitioner,  
v.  
PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA,  
Respondent.

No. 2:17-cv-2244 KJN P

ORDER

Petitioner, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has filed an application for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner has not paid the filing fee or submitted an application to proceed in forma pauperis.

The application attacks a conviction issued by the Superior Court of Imperial County. While both this court and the United States District Court in the district where petitioner was convicted have jurisdiction, see Braden v. 30th Judicial Circuit Court, 410 U.S. 484 (1973), any and all witnesses and evidence necessary for the resolution of petitioner’s application are more readily available in Imperial County. Id. at 499 n.15; 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d).

Accordingly, in the furtherance of justice, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this matter is transferred to the United States District Court for the Southern District of California.

Dated: November 9, 2017

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KENDALL J. NEWMAN  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE