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6 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**
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9 EDDIE JAMES THOMAS, JR.,

10 Petitioner,

11 vs.

12 JACK PALMER, et al.,

13 Respondents.
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Case No. 3:09-CV-00455-HDM- (RAM)

ORDER

15 Petitioner has submitted a second amended petition (#18).
16 The court has reviewed it pursuant to Rule 4 of the Rules Governing
17 Section 2254 Cases in the United States District Courts. The court
18 will serve the second amended petition upon respondents for a
19 response.

20 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, as per prior agreement, that the
21 clerk of court shall add Attorney General Catherine Cortez Masto
22 (listed under Cortez) as counsel for respondents and shall make
23 informal electronic service of this order and the second amended
24 petition (#18) upon respondents by directing a notice of electronic
25 filing to her office. In addition, the clerk shall return to
26 petitioner a copy of the second amended petition (#18).

27 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondents shall have forty-
28 five (45) days from the date on which the second amended petition

1 (#18) was served to answer or otherwise respond to the second
2 amended petition (#18). If respondents file and serve an answer,
3 then they shall comply with Rule 5 of the Rules Governing Section
4 2254 Cases in the United States District Courts, and then
5 petitioner shall have forty-five (45) days from the date on which
6 the answer is served to file a reply.

7 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that henceforth, petitioner shall
8 serve upon respondents or, if appearance has been entered by
9 counsel, upon the attorney(s), a copy of every pleading, motion or
10 other document submitted for consideration by the court.
11 Petitioner shall include with the original paper submitted for
12 filing a certificate stating the date that a true and correct copy
13 of the document was mailed to the respondents or counsel for the
14 respondents. The court may disregard any paper received by a
15 district judge or magistrate judge that has not been filed with the
16 clerk, and any paper received by a district judge, magistrate
17 judge, or the clerk that fails to include a certificate of service.

18 DATED: August 23, 2010

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HOWARD D. MCKIBBEN
United States District Judge