




jurisdiction over the petition. In light of the fact that Petitioner is imprisoned within the Middle District of Pennsylvania, only courts within this district have jurisdiction to entertain his § 2241 petition. See 28 U.S.C. § 2241(a); *United States v. Figueroa*, 349 F. App'x 727, 730 (3d Cir. 2009) ("A petition brought under 28 U.S.C. § 2241 must be filed in the district in which the petitioner is imprisoned"); *Yi v. Maugans*, 24 F.3d 500, 503 (3d Cir. 1994) ("A district court's habeas corpus jurisdiction is territorially limited and extends only to persons detained and custodial officials acting within the boundaries of that district."); see also *Fair v. Apker*, 132 F. App'x 945, 946-47 (3d Cir. 2005) (holding that a district court did not err when it declined to transfer a § 2241 petition to another district). Further, to the extent that Petitioner seeks for this Court to construe his § 2241 petition as a § 2255 petition and transfer it to the sentencing court, such a transfer would be equally futile. Because Petitioner has previously filed a § 2255 petition with the sentencing court, that court cannot entertain another § 2255 petition until Petitioner obtains authorization from the Sixth Circuit. See 28 U.S.C. §§ 2244, 2255(h). Accordingly, the Court declines to exercise its discretion to transfer this matter to the Southern District of Ohio. Cf. *Casado v. Morris*, 1998 WL 665378, at \*2 (D.N.J. 1998) (declining to transfer a petition improperly brought under § 2241, instead of § 2255, to the sentencing court because the statute of limitations had run on a § 2255 petition before the § 2241

petition was filed); *McFarland v. Caraway*, 2014 WL 5393106, at \*2 (M.D. Pa. 2014) (same).

3. Petitioner's Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus is **DISMISSED** for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. Such dismissal, however, is **WITHOUT PREJUDICE** to petitioner's right to file a § 2255 petition in the sentencing court, subject to the applicable requirements of 28 U.S.C. §§ 2244 and 2255(h).
4. The Clerk of Court is directed to **CLOSE** the case.



Robert D. Mariani  
United States District Judge