

After careful consideration, the Court is of the opinion that the Magistrate Judge's Memorandum Opinion and Order was not clearly erroneous or contrary to law. This Court and the Eastern District of Arkansas have concurrent jurisdiction over this petition.¹ As petitioner's incarceration in the Bowie County Correctional Center is due to his conviction in an Arkansas state court and is not the result of any process issued by a Texas state court, it would be more appropriate to have this petition adjudicated in the federal judicial district where a challenge to petitioner's Arkansas conviction would be asserted. The Magistrate Judge therefore correctly concluded this petition should be transferred. It is, therefore,

ORDERED that petitioner's objections (Docket No. 6) to the Memorandum Opinion and Order Regarding Venue are **OVERRULED**. It is further **ORDERED** this petition is **TRANSFERRED** to the Pine Bluff Division for the Eastern District of Arkansas.

SIGNED this 9th day of January, 2018.


ROBERT W. SCHROEDER III
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

¹ Title 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d) provides that a habeas petition may be filed in either the federal judicial district where the petitioner was convicted or the judicial district where he is incarcerated.