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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 ROBERT D. THORSON,

11 Petitioner,

12 v.

13 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

14 Respondent.

CASE NO. C18-136 RSM

ORDER FOR SERVICE AND  
ANSWER, § 2255 MOTION

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17 This matter comes before the Court on Petitioner's "Motion to Vacate, Set Aside,  
18 or Correct Sentence Pursuant to § 2255." Dkt. # 1. After a preliminary review of the  
19 motion, the Court ORDERS as follows:

- 20 (1) Within forty-five (45) days after the filing of Petitioner's § 2255 Motion, the  
21 United States shall file and serve an Answer in accordance with Rule 5 of the  
22 Rules Governing Section 2255 Cases in United States District Courts. As part of  
23 its Answer, the United States shall state its position as to whether an evidentiary  
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1 hearing is necessary, whether any discovery is necessary, whether there is any  
2 issue as to abuse or delay under Rule 9, and whether Petitioner's motion is barred  
3 by the statute of limitations.

4 (2) On the face of its Answer, the United States shall note this matter for the fourth  
5 Friday following the filing of its Answer, and the Clerk shall note the matter on  
6 the Court's docket accordingly. Petitioner may file a Reply to the Answer no  
7 later than that noting date.

8 (3) The Clerk shall direct a copy of this Order to Petitioner.  
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10 DATED this 31st day of January 2018.

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13 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ  
14 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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