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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
7 AT SEATTLE

8 JONATHAN P. BOOTHE,  
9 Petitioner,  
10 v.  
11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
12 Respondent.

Case No. C18-331RSL

ORDER DIRECTING THE  
UNITED STATES TO  
ANSWER § 2255 PETITION

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

16 (1) Within forty-five (45) days of the date of this order, the United States shall  
17 file and serve an Answer in accordance with Rule 5 of the Rules Governing Section  
18 2255 Cases in United States District Courts. As part of its Answer, the United States  
19 shall state its position as to whether an evidentiary hearing is necessary, whether any  
20 discovery is necessary, whether there is any issue as to abuse or delay under Rule 9, and  
21 whether Petitioner's motion is barred by the statute of limitations.

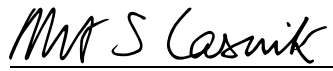
22 (2) On the face of its Answer, the United States shall note this matter for the  
23 fourth Friday following the filing of its Answer, and the Clerk shall note the matter on  
24 the Court's docket accordingly. Petitioner may file a Reply to the Answer no later than  
25 that noting date.

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The Clerk shall direct a copy of this Order to Petitioner.

DATED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.



Robert S. Lasnik  
United States District Judge