

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Joao Alexandre Dos Reis Franco v. Craig Meyer, et al.

Dos Reis Franco v. Meyer · No. 25-cv-08998-JSC; 5:25-cv-09480-EKL · Decided November 18, 2025

SUMMARY

The parties stipulate to transfer a habeas petition from the United States District Court for the Northern District of California to the Eastern District of California based on the petitioner’s district of confinement. The proposed order grants the transfer and directs the Clerk of Court to transmit the case file.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Northern District of California
WRITING FOR THE COURT	K. Lee
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the Northern District of California
DECIDED	November 18, 2025
DOCKET	25-cv-08998-JSC; 5:25-cv-09480-EKL
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The parties stipulated to transfer the habeas petition from the Northern District of California to the Eastern District of California, and the court entered the proposed transfer order.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	nonprecedential
PARTIES	Joao Alexandre Dos Reis Franco v. Craig Meyer, et al.

TOPICS

- federal habeas corpus
- venue
- subject matter jurisdiction
- civil procedure
- immigration detention

PRACTICE AREAS

- habeas corpus
- immigration detention
- federal civil procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether jurisdiction over the habeas petition lay in the Eastern District of California rather than the Northern District of California.

2. Whether the case should be transferred to the Eastern District of California.

HOLDINGS

1. Jurisdiction over the petition lies in the Eastern District of California rather than the Northern District of California.
2. The matter must be transferred to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California, and the Clerk must transfer the file.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“Pursuant to stipulation, and in the interest of justice, the Court ORDERS that this matter be TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California.” (order at 1)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The petitioner filed a habeas petition while the matter was pending in the Northern District of California. The parties conferred regarding the petitioner's district of confinement and agreed that jurisdiction lay in the Eastern District of California rather than the Northern District. The court accepted the stipulation and ordered transfer.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

After ordering supplemental briefing concerning the petitioner's district of confinement, the Northern District of California determined that jurisdiction lay in the Eastern District of California. Pursuant to the parties' stipulation, the court ordered the matter and file transferred to the Eastern District of California.

DISPOSITION

other

REMAND INSTRUCTIONS

The Clerk of Court is directed to transfer the file to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California.

CASES CITED

- Doe v. Garland, 109 F.4th 1188 (9th Cir. 2024)