

UNPUBLISHED

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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No. 06-6490

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KENNETH BOZEMAN,

Petitioner - Appellant,

versus

KERSHAW CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION; HENRY  
MCMASTER, Attorney General for the State of  
South Carolina,

Respondents - Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of  
South Carolina, at Anderson. G. Ross Anderson, Jr., District  
Judge. (8:05-cv-01378-GRA)

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Submitted: August 31, 2006

Decided: September 6, 2006

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Before MICHAEL, MOTZ, and GREGORY, Circuit Judges.

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Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Kenneth Bozeman, Appellant Pro Se. Donald John Zelenka, Chief  
Deputy Attorney General, William Edgar Salter, III, OFFICE OF THE  
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Columbia, South Carolina, for  
Appellees.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.  
See Local Rule 36(c).

PER CURIAM:

Kenneth Bozeman seeks to appeal the district court's order accepting the recommendation of the magistrate judge and denying relief on his 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (2000) petition. The order is not appealable unless a circuit justice or judge issues a certificate of appealability. 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1) (2000). A certificate of appealability will not issue absent "a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2) (2000). A prisoner satisfies this standard by demonstrating that reasonable jurists would find that any assessment of the constitutional claims by the district court is debatable or wrong and that any dispositive procedural ruling by the district court is likewise debatable. Miller-El v. Cockrell, 537 U.S. 322, 336-38 (2003); Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000); Rose v. Lee, 252 F.3d 676, 683-84 (4th Cir. 2001). We have independently reviewed the record and conclude that Bozeman has not made the requisite showing. Accordingly, we deny a certificate of appealability and dismiss the appeal. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before the court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

DISMISSED