

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 11-7691**

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WILLIAM LAUREANO,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

CAPTAIN FNU JONES,

Defendant - Appellee.

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Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina, at Aiken. Timothy M. Cain, District Judge. (1:11-cv-00779-TMC)

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Submitted: February 16, 2012

Decided: February 23, 2012

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Before SHEDD, KEENAN, and WYNN, Circuit Judges.

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Affirmed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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William Laureano, Appellant Pro Se. Steven Michael Pruitt, MCDONALD, PATRICK, TINSLEY, BAGGETT & POSTON, Greenwood, South Carolina, for Appellee.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

William Laureano appeals the district court's order accepting the recommendation of the magistrate judge and denying relief on his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 (2006) complaint. We have reviewed the record and find no reversible error. Accordingly, we affirm for the reasons stated by the district court. Laureano v. Jones, No. 1:11-cv-00779-TMC (D.S.C. Dec. 2, 2011). Laureano claims on appeal that the district court was biased against him and should have recused himself. Our review of the record has revealed no evidence of extra-judicial bias, and therefore this argument is without merit. See Liteky v. United States, 510 U.S. 540, 555 (1994) (holding that unfavorable judicial rulings alone do not constitute bias). We deny Laureano's motion for appointment of counsel. 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.

AFFIRMED