

**UNPUBLISHED**

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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**No. 18-1005**

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In re: MOMOLU V.S. SIRLEAF,

Petitioner.

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On Petition for Writ of Mandamus. (3:17-cv-00606-MHL-RCY)

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Submitted: May 7, 2018

Decided: May 25, 2018

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Before GREGORY, Chief Judge, NIEMEYER, Circuit Judge, and SHEDD, Senior  
Circuit Judge.

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Petition denied by unpublished per curiam opinion.

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Momolu V.S. Sirleaf, Petitioner Pro Se.

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Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Momolu V.S. Sirleaf petitions for a writ of mandamus seeking to prohibit the magistrate judge from handling any pretrial matters in his habeas case. Mandamus relief is a drastic remedy and should be used only in extraordinary circumstances. *Kerr v. U.S. Dist. Court*, 426 U.S. 394, 402 (1976); *United States v. Moussaoui*, 333 F.3d 509, 516-17 (4th Cir. 2003). The party seeking issuance of the writ must have no other adequate means to attain relief, and he bears the burden of showing that his right to the writ is clear and indisputable. *Moussaoui*, 333 F.3d at 517 (citations omitted). We have reviewed the petition and conclude that Sirleaf fails to make this showing. Accordingly, although we grant leave to proceed in forma pauperis, we deny the petition for writ of mandamus. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before this court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

*PETITION DENIED*