

United States Court of Appeals
For the Eighth Circuit

No. 18-3291

Ricky Donell Holifield

Petitioner - Appellant

v.

Commissioner Tom Roy

Respondent - Appellee

Appeal from United States District Court
for the District of Minnesota

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[Unpublished]

Before COLLOTON, WOLLMAN, and ERICKSON, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

Ricky Holifield, who was sentenced to 108 months in prison after a Minnesota jury found him guilty of second-degree sale of drugs, see State v. Holifield, No. A15-0899, 2016 WL 7439083 (Minn. Ct. App. Dec. 27, 2016) (unpublished opinion),

appeals the district court's¹ order denying his 28 U.S.C. § 2254 petition. Because we agree with the district court that the Minnesota Court of Appeals properly applied Strickland v. Washington, 466 U.S. 668 (1984), in assessing and rejecting Holifield's claims of ineffective assistance of counsel, we affirm for the reasons relied on by the district court. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.

¹The Honorable David S. Doty, United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, adopting the report and recommendations of the Honorable David T. Schultz, United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Minnesota.