

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

HARRELL HAMMELL,)
Petitioner,)))
v.) Case No.: 2:18-cv-00758-AKK-JEO
CHRISTOPHER GORDY, Warden, et al.,)))
Respondents.)

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Petitioner Harrell Hammell filed this action for a writ of habeas corpus, *pro se*, on May 18, 2018. Doc. 1. Hammell challenges his September 2009 conviction and sentence for capital murder. *Id.* On November 28, 2018, the magistrate judge entered a report recommending the petition be dismissed with prejudice becuase Hammell's claims are untimely and procedurally defaulted. Doc. 6. The magistrate judge notified Hammell of his right to file objections to the report and recommendation. *See id.* at 12-13. In response, Hammell filed a document titled "Amended Complaint," which the court construes as an opposition to the report and recommendation. ¹ Doc. 7.

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¹ After receipt of the respondent's answer, Hammell was advised of his right to file materials in opposition. Doc. 4. He submitted a signed and dated copy of his original petition. Doc. 5. In response to the report and recommendation, Hammell filed an "Amended Complaint," doc. 7, which is substantially the same petition filed a third time. It raises no new claims and no objections to the report and recommendation.

Hammell disputes neither the finding that this petition is untimely under the

one-year limitations period set forth in 28 U.S.C. § 2244(d), nor the finding that his

current grounds for relief are procedurally defaulted. Rather, he once again details

perceived constitutional errors he contends occurred during his arrest and

prosecution for the underlying convictions.

Having carefully reviewed and considered de novo all the materials in the

court file, including the report and recommendation and the response thereto, the

magistrate judge's report is hereby ADOPTED and his recommendation is

ACCEPTED. Accordingly, the petition for writ of habeas corpus is due to be

DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE. Further, because the petition does not

present issues that are debatable among jurists of reason, a certificate of

appealability is also due to be **DENIED**. See 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c); Slack v.

McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 484-85 (2000); Rule 11(a), Rules Governing § 2254

Proceedings. A separate Final Judgment will be entered.

DONE the 21st day of December, 2018.

ABDUL K. KALLON

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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