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## UNPUBLISHED

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 06-6174

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

versus

NATHAN LEE FOSTER, a/k/a Plum,

Defendant - Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, at Raleigh. James C. Fox, Senior District Judge. (CR-03-319-F; CA-05-553-5-F)

Submitted: September 22, 2006 Decided: October 17, 2006

Before WILLIAMS, MICHAEL, and SHEDD, Circuit Judges.

Dismissed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

Nathan Lee Foster, Appellant Pro Se. Winnie Jordan Reaves, Assistant United States Attorney, Raleigh, North Carolina, for Appellee.

Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.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

## PER CURIAM:

Nathan Lee Foster seeks to appeal the district court's order denying relief on his motion for reconsideration pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b), of the denial of his 28 U.S.C. § 2255 (2000) motion. The order is not appealable unless a circuit justice or issues a certificate of appealability. 28 § 2253(c)(1) (2000); Reid v. Angelone, 369 F.3d 363, 367-69 (4th Cir. 2004). 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); <u>Slack v. McDaniel</u>, 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 Foster 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**