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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 12-1924

In Re: NICHOLAS JAMES QUEEN, SR.,

Petitioner.

On Petition for Writ of Mandamus. (1:93-cr-00366-WMN-1)

Submitted: October 16, 2012 Decided: October 31, 2012

Before WILKINSON, MOTZ, and AGEE, Circuit Judges.

Petition denied by unpublished per curiam opinion.

Nicholas James Queen, Sr., Petitioner Pro Se.

Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Nicholas Queen, Sr., petitions for a writ of mandamus, seeking an order directing the district court to examine its exercise of jurisdiction in a criminal case against him. We deny the petition.

Mandamus is a drastic remedy to be used only in extraordinary circumstances. <u>Kerr v. United States Dist. Court</u>, 426 U.S. 394, 402 (1976); <u>United States v. Moussaoui</u>, 333 F.3d 509, 516-17 (4th Cir. 2003). Further, mandamus relief is available only when the petitioner has a clear right to the relief sought. <u>In re First Fed. Sav. & Loan Ass'n</u>, 860 F.2d 135, 138 (4th Cir. 1988).

Queen has failed to demonstrate entitlement to mandamus relief. 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 the court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

PETITION DENIED

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