United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

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No. 06-70041

MICHAEL WAYNE HALL,

Petitioner-Appellant

versus

NATHANIEL QUARTERMAN, DIRECTOR TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION,

Respondent-Appellee

Appeal from the United States District Court For the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth (06-CV-436)

Before KING, HIGGINBOTHAM, and GARZA, Circuit Judges.

BY THE COURT:

We grant a certificate of appealability on Michael Wayne Hall's *Atkins* claim.¹ The case will be scheduled for oral argument before this panel.

We are not presently persuaded to grant and we defer decision upon the application for a certificate of appealability on Hall's $Ring^2$ and $Penry^3$ claims until after oral argument. The Court does

³ Penry v. Johnson, 532 U.S. 782 (2001).

¹ Atkins v. Virginia , 506 U.S. 314 (2002); Hall v. Texas, 537 U.S. 802 (2002).

² Ring v. Arizona, 536 U.S. 584 (2002).

not request but the parties may supplement the *Ring* and *Penry* claims and offer argument, if they wish to do so.

So ORDERED.