IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, NORTHERN DIVISION

| VERTIS ANTHONY,     | ) |                  |
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| Petitioner,         | ) |                  |
|                     | ) | CIVIL ACTION NO. |
| v.                  | ) | 2:15cv618-MHT    |
|                     | ) | (WO)             |
| LOUIS BOYD, et al., | ) |                  |
|                     | ) |                  |
| Respondents.        | ) |                  |

## OPINION

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254, petitioner, a state prisoner, filed this lawsuit seeking habeas relief. This lawsuit is now before the court on the recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge that petitioner's writ petition be denied. Also before the court are petitioner's objections to the recommendation. After an independent and de novo review of the record, the court concludes that petitioner's objections should be overruled and the magistrate judge's recommendation adopted.

An appropriate judgment will be entered.

DONE, this the 25th day of September, 2017.

/s/ Myron H. Thompson
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE