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

TONY JAMES LEFLORE,)
Petitioner,)
V.))
)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Respondent.)

CASE NO. 2:17-CV-393-WKW [WO]

<u>ORDER</u>

On February 8, 2023, the Magistrate Judge filed a Recommendation (Doc. # 86) to which Petitioner filed an objection (Doc. # 87). The objection does not call into question the Recommendation's proposed finding that Petitioner's Rule 60(b) motion is a disguised, successive 28 U.S.C. § 2255 motion, which he filed without the required appellate court authorization. Based upon a *de novo* review of the record, it is ORDERED as follows:

- (1) Petitioner's objection (Doc. # 87) is OVERRULED;
- (2) The Recommendation (Doc. # 86) is ADOPTED;

(3) The motion (Doc. # 75) is DISMISSED without prejudice for lack of subject matter jurisdiction; and

(4) This case remains closed.

Final judgment will be entered separately. Petitioner is not required to obtain a certificate of appealability to appeal the final judgment, should he desire to do so, because it is not "'a final order in a habeas corpus proceeding" within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c). *Hubbard v. Campbell*, 379 F.3d 1245, 1247 (11th Cir. 2004) (quoting § 2253(c)).

DONE this 7th day of March, 2023.

/s/ W. Keith Watkins UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE