

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

DEMETRIUS MINNIFIELD,	
Petitioner,))
vs.	Case No. 2:14-cv-00501-WMA-TMP
CYNTHIA STEWART, Warden, et al.,	
Respondents.))

MEMORANDUM OPINION

The petitioner, Demetrius Minnifield, filed his action for *habeas corpus* relief under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 on March 15, 2014. (Doc. 1). Petitioner neither paid the required filing fee, nor filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. In an order dated March 25, 2014, the magistrate judge ordered the petitioner to correct his deficient pleading within 30 days by either filing an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or by paying the filing fee of \$5.00. (Doc. 3). The order and an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* were mailed to the petitioner on that same day. Upon the expiration of 30 days, no response had been filed by the petitioner.

The magistrate judge filed a second order, dated April 28, 2014, ordering the petitioner to correct his deficient pleading within 30 days by either filing an application to proceed *in forma* pauperis or by paying the filing fee of \$5.00. (Doc. 4). On that same day, the order and an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* were mailed to the petitioner. Both orders advised the

petitioner that if he failed to correct his deficient pleading within 30 days, the court may dismiss this case for want of prosecution pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b).

The court has allowed the petitioner over 60 days to correct his deficient pleading, with no response from the petitioner. Accordingly, this action for *habeas corpus* relief under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 in the above-styled cause is due to be DENIED and DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE for want of prosecution pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b). A corresponding order shall be entered contemporaneously herewith.

DONE and ORDERED this 2nd day of June, 2014.

WILLIAM M. ACKER, JR. 🦳

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE