

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

LESLIE SEAN PRUITT,)	
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Petitioner,)	
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v.)	Case No.: 2:15-cv-02290-LSC-JHE
)	
WARDEN DOUG WILLIAMS,)	
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Respondent.)	
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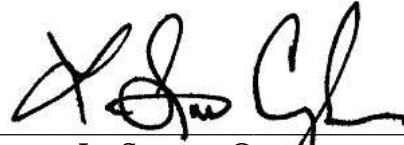
MEMORANDUM OPINION

On December 21, 2015, Petitioner Leslie Sean Pruitt filed this petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. (Doc. 1). Because Pruitt neither paid the \$5.00 filing fee nor applied to proceed *in forma pauperis*, the Court issued a notice of deficient pleading on January 4, 2016, informing him that his failure to do one or the other within thirty days of the date of the notice would result in dismissal of his case for want of prosecution. (Doc. 2) (citing FED. R. CIV. P. 41(b)). On January 25, 2016, the court received a pleading styled “Motion and Brief of Habeas Corpus” from Pruitt, but no fee or application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. (Doc. 3). Because this information did not resolve the pleading deficiency as outlined in the original notice, the undersigned sent Pruitt a second notice of deficient pleading explaining that he must either pay the \$5.00 filing fee or submit a verified application to proceed *in forma pauperis* within thirty days. (Doc. 4). Since that time, the court has received another pleading, styled “Motion of Supplemental Brief,” but no fee or application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. (Doc. 5).

The deadline set in the second notice of deficient pleading has passed, and Pruitt has not paid the filing fee or filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Accordingly, his petition

is due to be **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** for want of prosecution. A separate order will be entered.

DONE AND ORDERED ON MARCH 30, 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Scott Coogler', written over a horizontal line.

L. SCOTT COOGLER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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