

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

TERRY JERROD WILLIAMS,	:	
AIS 296974,	:	
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Petitioner,	:	
	:	
vs.	:	CA 16-0462-WS-MU
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CYNTHIA STEWART,	:	
	:	
Respondent.	:	

JUDGMENT

In accordance with the order entered on this date, it is hereby **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED**, and **DECREED** that petitioner's request for federal habeas corpus relief, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 (Doc. 1), should be **DENIED** because habeas corpus provides no relief for freestanding claims of actual innocence based on newly discovered evidence. In addition, this claim has not been fully exhausted in the state courts of Alabama and, therefore, is procedurally barred. Williams is not entitled to a certificate of appealability and, therefore, he is not entitled to appeal *in forma pauperis*.

DONE this 27th day of April, 2017.

s/WILLIAM H. STEELE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE