

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS  
PINE BLUFF DIVISION**

**THOMAS T. JONES**

**PETITIONER**

**v.**

**Case No. 5:15-cv-00072 KGB-BD**

**WENDY KELLEY, Director,  
Arkansas Department of Correction**

**RESPONDENT**

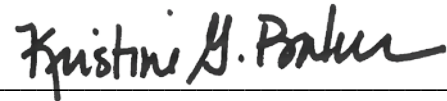
**ORDER**

The Court has reviewed the Recommended Disposition filed by United States Magistrate Judge Beth Deere (Dkt. No. 14). Petitioner Thomas T. Jones has filed an objection to the Recommended Disposition (Dkt. No. 19). Respondent Wendy Kelley has filed a response to Mr. Jones's objections (Dkt. No. 20). After careful review of the Recommended Disposition, the timely objections, the response to those objections, and a *de novo* review of the record, the Court concludes that the Recommended Disposition should be, and hereby is, approved and adopted in its entirety as this Court's findings in all respects.

Mr. Jones's petition for writ of *habeas corpus* is denied and dismissed with prejudice (Dkt. No. 1).

When entering a final order adverse to a *habeas corpus* petitioner, the Court must issue or deny a certificate of appealability. Rule 11 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases. A certificate of appealability may issue only if a petitioner has made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right. 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1)-(2). In this case, there is no basis for this Court to issue a certificate of appealability. Accordingly, a certificate of appealability is denied.

SO ORDERED this 7th day of January, 2016.

Handwritten signature of Kristine G. Baker in black ink.

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KRISTINE G. BAKER  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE