

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

BRIAN JAMES HICKS  
ADC #138964

PETITIONER

v.

5:18CV00062-JM

WENDY KELLEY, Director,  
Arkansas Department of Correction

RESPONDENT

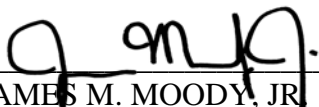
**ORDER**

The Court has reviewed the Proposed Findings and Recommended Disposition submitted by United States Magistrate Judge Joe J. Volpe and Plaintiff's Objections. After carefully considering the objections and making a *de novo* review of the record, the Court concludes the Proposed Findings and Recommended Disposition should be, and hereby are, approved and adopted in their entirety as this Court's findings in all respects.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that:

1. The Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (Doc. No. 1) is DISMISSED and the requested relief is DENIED.
2. No certificate of appealability shall issue.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.

  
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JAMES M. MOODY, JR.  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE