IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS FORT SMITH DIVISION

LESTER JOE HILL

v. Civil No. 08-2082

LARRY NORRIS, Director Arkansas Department of Correction

RESPONDENT

PETITIONER

ORDER

Now on this 14th day of January 2010, there comes on for consideration Lester Joe Hill's request for a certificate of appealability filed on November 24, 2009 (Doc. 73) and Director Norris' response (Doc. 75).

The Court finds, for the reasons set forth in the Statement of Reasons for Denial of Certificate of Appealability filed concurrently herewith, that the said motion should be and hereby is DENIED.

> /s/ Robert T. Dawson Honorable Robert T. Dawson United States District Judge