a district court is not required to hold an evidentiary hearing."). Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT: The Report and Recommendation is approved and accepted; 1. Judgment be entered denying the Petition and dismissing this action 2. with prejudice; and The Clerk serve copies of this Order on the parties. 3. Additionally, for the reasons stated in the Report and Recommendation, the Court finds that Petitioner has not made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right. See 28 U.S.C. § 2253; Fed. R. App. P. 22(b); Miller-El v. Cockrell, 537 U.S. 322, 336 (2003). The Court thus declines to issue a certificate of appealability. DATED: _July 17, 2013_ HON. VIRGINIA A. PHILLIPS UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE