In accordance with the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C), this Court has conducted a *de novo* review of the case. Having carefully reviewed the record and having considered Petitioner's objections, the Court concludes that Petitioner's objections are unpersuasive. Additionally, the

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¹The Court amends its previous order (Court Doc. 16) to correct an error in Petitioner's name that had been contained in that order.

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Court finds that the Magistrate Judge's Findings and Recommendations is supported by the record and contains the proper analysis.

The Court notes that a state prisoner seeking a writ of habeas corpus has no absolute entitlement to appeal a district court's denial of his petition, and an appeal is only allowed in certain circumstances, Miller-El v. Cockrell, 123 S.Ct. 1029, 1039 (2003). The controlling statute in determining whether to issue a certificate of appealability is 28 U.S.C. § 2253, which provides that a circuit judge or judge may issue a certificate of appealability where "the applicant has made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." Where the court denies a habeas petition, the court may only issue a certificate of appealability "if jurists of reason could disagree with the district court's resolution of his constitutional claims or that jurists could conclude the issues presented are adequate to deserve encouragement to proceed further." Miller-El, 123 S.Ct. at 1034; Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000). While the petitioner is not required to prove the merits of his case, he must demonstrate "something more than the absence of frivolity or the existence of mere good faith on his . . . part." Miller-El, 123 S.Ct. at 1040. In the present case, the Court finds that reasonable jurists would not find the Court's determination that Petitioner is not entitled to federal habeas corpus relief debatable, wrong, or deserving of encouragement to proceed further. Petitioner has not made the required substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right. Consequently, the Court hereby DECLINES to issue a certificate of appealability.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The Findings and Recommendations issued July 1, 2010, is ADOPTED IN FULL;
- 2. The Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus is DENIED with prejudice;
- 3. The Clerk of Court is DIRECTED to enter judgment; and
- 4. The Court declines to issue a certificate of appealability.IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 26, 2010

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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