1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 TIMOTHY C. GRIFFIN, No. 2:14-cv-00837-TLN-AC 12 Petitioner. 13 **ORDER** v. 14 F. FOULK, 15 Respondent. 16 17 Petitioner Timothy C. Griffin ("Petitioner"), a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has filed an application for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. The matter was referred 18 to a United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B) and Local Rule 302. 19 20 On August 29, 2019, the magistrate judge filed findings and recommendations herein 21 which were served on all parties and which contained notice to all parties that any objections to 22 the findings and recommendations were to be filed within twenty-one days. (ECF No. 26.) Neither party has filed objections to the Findings and Recommendations.<sup>1</sup> 23 Accordingly, the Court presumes that any findings of fact are correct. See Orand v. 24 United States, 602 F.2d 207, 208 (9th Cir. 1979). The magistrate judge's conclusions of law are 25 26 The Court notes Petitioner requested, and received, an extension of time of approximately 27 thirty-days to file objections to the Findings and Recommendations (ECF Nos. 27–28); however, 28 Petitioner still did not file any objections, and his extended deadline has now passed. 1

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reviewed de novo. See Britt v. Simi Valley Unified School Dist., 708 F.2d 452, 454 (9th Cir. 1983); see also 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

Having reviewed the file under the applicable legal standards, the Court finds the Findings and Recommendations to be supported by the record and by the magistrate judge's analysis.

Pursuant to Rule 11(a) of the Federal Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases, the Court has considered whether to issue a certificate of appealability. Before Petitioner can appeal this decision, a certificate of appealability must issue. See 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c); Fed. R. App. P. 22(b). Where the petition is denied on the merits, a certificate of appealability may issue under 28 U.S.C. § 2253 "only if the applicant has made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2). The Court must either issue a certificate of appealability indicating which issues satisfy the required showing or must state the reasons why such a certificate should not issue. See Fed. R. App. P. 22(b). Where the petition is dismissed on procedural grounds, a certificate of appealability "should issue if the prisoner can show: (1) 'that jurists of reason would find it debatable whether the district court was correct in its procedural ruling'; and (2) 'that jurists of reason would find it debatable whether the petition states a valid claim of the denial of a constitutional right." Morris v. Woodford, 229 F.3d 775, 780 (9th Cir. 2000) (quoting Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 120 S. Ct. 1595, 1604 (2000)).

For the reasons set forth in the magistrate judge's Findings and Recommendations (ECF No. 26), the Court finds that issuance of a certificate of appealability is not warranted in this case.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The Findings and Recommendations, filed August 29, 2019 (ECF No. 26), are adopted in full;
  - 2. The Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (ECF No. 1) is DENIED; and
- 3. The Court declines to issue the certificate of appealability referenced in 28 U.S.C. § 2253.

## IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 21, 2019

Troy L. Nunley

United States District Judge