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issuing a certificate, or state its reasons why a certificate should not be granted. <u>See United States v. Asrar</u>, 116 F.3d 1268, 1270 (9th Cir. 1997) (citing 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(3)).

The court concludes that petitioner has not shown "that jurists of reason would find it debatable whether the petition states a valid claim of the denial of a constitutional right and that jurists of reason would find it debatable whether the district court was correct in its procedural ruling." Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000). Accordingly, petitioner's request for a certificate of appealability is DENIED.

The clerk shall serve notice of this order forthwith to the United States Court of Appeal and to the parties. <u>See</u> Fed. R. App. P. 24(a).

This order terminates docket no. 14.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: <u>3/16/09</u>

Konald M. Whyte
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United States District Judge