UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Petitioner, v. MATTHEW CATE, et al.,

CASE NO. 09-CV-2058 W (PCL)

ORDER:

- (1) ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION (DOC. NO. 11.)
- (2) GRANTING MOTION TO DISMISS (DOC. NO. 5.)

On September 18, 2009, Petitioner William Brown ("Petitioner"), a state prisoner proceeding pro se, filed this Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. (Doc. No. 1.) Petitioner challenges his 1997 conviction for voluntary manslaughter and assault with a deadly weapon. (Doc. No. 11 at 2.)

Respondents.

On April 23, 2010, Magistrate Judge Peter C. Lewis issued a Report and Recommendation ("Report"), recommending that the Court grant the pending motion to dismiss the Petition. The Report also ordered that any objections were to be filed by May 7, 2010. (Report at 6.) To date, no objection has been filed, nor has there been a request for additional time in which to file an objection.

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A district court's duties concerning a magistrate judge's report and recommendation and a respondent's objections thereto are set forth in Rule 72(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). When no objections are filed, the district court is not required to review the magistrate judge's report and recommendation. See United States v. Revna-Tapia, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003)(holding that 28 U.S.C. 636(b)(1)(c) "makes it clear that the district judge must review the magistrate judge's findings and recommendations de novo if objection is made, but not otherwise")(emphasis in original); Schmidt v. Johnstone, 263 F. Supp. 2d 1219, 1226 (D. Arizona 2003) (concluding that where no objections were filed, the District Court had no obligation to review the magistrate judge's Report). This rule of law is well established within the Ninth Circuit and this district. See Wang v. Masaitis, 416 F.3d 992, 1000 n. 13 (9th Cir. 2005) ("Of course, de novo review of a R & R is *only* required when an objection is made to the R & R.")(emphasis added)(citing Renya-Tapia, 328 F.3d 1121); Nelson v. Giurbino, 395 F. Supp. 2d 946, 949 (S.D. Cal. 2005) (Lorenz, J.) (adopted Report without review because neither party filed objections to the Report despite the opportunity to do so, "accordingly, the Court will adopt the Report and Recommendation in its entirety."); see also Nichols v. Logan, 355 F. Supp. 2d 1155, 1157 (S.D. Cal. 2004) (Benitez, J.).

The Court, therefore, accepts Judge Lewis' recommendation, and **ADOPTS** the Report (Doc. No. 24) in its entirety. For the reasons stated in the Report, which is incorporated herein by reference, the Court **DISMISSES** the Petition **WITHOUT PREJUDICE**. (Doc. No. 1.) Should Petitioner choose to amend his Petition he must do so <u>on or before June 25, 2010.</u>

23 IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: May 24, 2010

Hon. Thomas J. Whelan United States District Judge

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