IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DENVER COLORADO

Civil Action No. 11-cv-02353-BNB

SEP 1 3 2011

LONG BA PHAN,

GREGORY C. LANGHAM CLERK

Applicant,

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BRIGHAM SLOAN, and THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF COLORADO,

Respondents.

ORDER TO FILE PRE-ANSWER RESPONSE

As part of the preliminary consideration of the Application for a Writ of Habeas Corpus Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254 in this case, the Court has determined that a limited Pre-Answer Response is appropriate. Respondents are directed pursuant to Rule 4 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in the United States District Courts and to *Denson v. Abbott*, 554 F.Supp. 2d 1206 (D. Colo. 2008), to file a Pre-Answer Response limited to addressing the affirmative defenses of timeliness under 28 U.S.C. § 2244(d) and/or exhaustion of state court remedies under 28 U.S.C. § 2254(b)(1)(A). If Respondents do not intend to raise either of these affirmative defenses, they must notify the Court of that decision in the Pre-Answer Response. Respondents may not file a dispositive motion as their Pre-Answer Response, or an Answer, or otherwise address the merits of the claims in response to this Order.

In support of the Pre-Answer Response, Respondents should attach as exhibits all relevant portions of the state court record, including but not limited to copies of all documents demonstrating whether this action is filed in a timely manner and/or whether Applicant has exhausted state court remedies.

Applicant may reply to the Pre-Answer Response and provide any information

that might be relevant to the one-year limitation period under 28 U.S.C. § 2244(d)

and/or the exhaustion of state court remedies. Applicant also should include

information relevant to equitable tolling, specifically as to whether he has pursued his

claims diligently and whether some extraordinary circumstance prevented him from

filing a timely 28 U.S.C. § 2254 action in this Court. Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that within twenty-one days from the date of this Order

Respondents shall file a Pre-Answer Response that complies with this Order. It is

FURTHER ORDERED that within twenty-one days of the filing of the Pre-

Answer Response Applicant may file a Reply, if he desires. It is

FURTHER ORDERED that if Respondents do not intend to raise either of the

affirmative defenses of timeliness or exhaustion of state court remedies, they must

notify the Court of that decision in the Pre-Answer Response.

DATED at Denver, Colorado, this 12th day of September, 2011.

BY THE COURT:

s/Craig B. Shaffer

Craig B. Shaffer

United States Magistrate Judge

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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I hereby certify that I have mailed a copy of the ORDER to the above-named individuals, and the following forms to Brigham Sloan: APPLICATION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS FILED 9/7/11 on September 13, 2011.

GREGORY C. LANGHAM, CLERK

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