

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
TAMPA DIVISION**

WILLIE JAMES BELL,

Petitioner,

-vs-

Case No. 8:09-CV-871-T-30TBM

SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT  
OF CORRECTIONS,

Respondent.

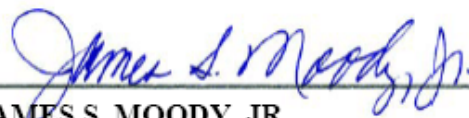
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**ORDER**

This matter is before the Court for consideration of Petitioner’s Affidavit of Indigency in support of his motion for leave to proceed on appeal *in forma pauperis* (Dkt. 24). Construing Petitioner’s Notice of Appeal as a request for issuance of a certificate of appealability pursuant to Rule 22, Fed. R. App. P., and 28 U.S.C. §2253, the Court denied the request on March 15, 2010 (Dkt. 22).

ACCORDINGLY, the Court **ORDERS** that Petitioner’s motion for leave to proceed on appeal *in forma pauperis* is **DENIED** (Dkt. 24).

**DONE** and **ORDERED** in Tampa, Florida on March 31, 2010.

  
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JAMES S. MOODY, JR.  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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