

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA
SOUTH BEND DIVISION

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| LUIS BOCANEGRA, |) | |
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| Petitioner, |) | |
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| v. |) | CAUSE NO. 3:18-CV-909-JD-MGG |
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| WARDEN, |) | |
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| Respondent. |) | |

OPINION AND ORDER

Luis Bocanegra, a prisoner without a lawyer, filed a habeas corpus petition challenging his disciplinary sanctions in case WCC 18-05-521 where a Disciplinary Hearing Officer (DHO) found him guilty of possessing unauthorized security threat insignia in violation of Indiana Department of Correction policy B-208. ECF 2 at 1. However, Bocanegra did not lose any earned credit time nor was he demoted in credit class as a result of this disciplinary hearing. ECF 2 at 1, 2-1 at 1, 4.

A prison disciplinary hearing can only be challenged in a habeas corpus proceeding where it results in the lengthening of the duration of confinement. *Hadley v. Holmes*, 341 F.3d 661, 664 (7th Cir. 2003). Here, because this disciplinary hearing did not result in the lengthening of the duration of Bocanegra’s confinement, habeas corpus relief is not available. Because there is no relief that he can obtain in this habeas corpus proceeding, the petition will be denied.

For these reasons, the court DENIES the petition pursuant to Section 2254 Habeas Corpus Rule 4 and the case is DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

SO ORDERED on November 26, 2018

_____/s/ JON E. DEGUILIO_____
JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT