

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

KATHERINE CONNER

CIVIL ACTION

VERSUS

STATE OF LOUISIANA

NO.: 12-00653-BAJ-RLB

**RULING AND ORDER**

On March 15, 2013, the United States Magistrate Judge issued a report and recommendation, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), recommending that Petitioner Katherine Conner's application for habeas corpus relief be dismissed, without prejudice, for failure to exhaust state court remedies as mandated by 28 U.S.C. § 2254(b) and (c) (Doc. 17).

Having carefully considered the Magistrate Judge's Report, the record, and the applicable law, the Court concludes that the Magistrate Judge's Report is correct, and hereby adopts its findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation.

Accordingly,

**IT IS ORDERED** that the **Magistrate Judge's Report (Doc. 17)** is **ADOPTED** as the Court's opinion herein.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that application for habeas corpus relief be dismissed, without prejudice, for failure to exhaust state court remedies as mandated by 28 U.S.C. § 2254(b) and (c).

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, in the event that the petitioner seeks to pursue an appeal, a certificate of appealability be denied.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this 25th day of October, 2013.



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**BRIAN A. JACKSON, CHIEF JUDGE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
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