

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

JOHN EARL SQUARE

CIVIL ACTION

VERSUS

KEITH DEVILLE

NO. 17-00266-BAJ-EWD

**RULING AND ORDER**

Before the Court is Petitioner's **Petition Under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 For Writ Of Habeas Corpus By A Person In State Custody (Doc. 1)**. The Magistrate Judge has issued a **Report And Recommendation (Doc. 19)**, recommending that the Court deny Petitioner's application for habeas corpus relief, and further, deny Petitioner a certificate of appealability. (*Id.* at p. 14). There are no objections to the Report and Recommendation.

Having carefully considered the underlying Petition (Doc. 1) and related filings, the Court **APPROVES** the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation, and **ADOPTS** it as the Court's opinion herein.

Accordingly, for the reasons explained in the Magistrate Judge's Report (Doc. 19),

**IT IS ORDERED** that Petitioner's **§ 2254 PETITION (Doc. 1)** is **DENIED**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a certificate of appealability is **DENIED**.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this 18th day of November, 2020



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