## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

PATRICIA FAJARDO-GUEVARA

**CIVIL ACTION** 

**VERSUS** 

NO. 18-126-JWD-EWD

BRIAN A. JACKSON, ET AL.

**ORDER** 

Before the Court is a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus<sup>1</sup> filed by Petitioner, Patricia Fajardo-Guevara ("Petitioner"), an inmate incarcerated at the Federal Correctional Institution, Aliceville, Alabama.<sup>2</sup> On or about February 5, 2018, Petitioner filed a 28 U.S.C. § 2255 application herein, styled as a 28 U.S.C. § 2241 application, challenging her conviction for possession with intent to distribute five kilograms or more of cocaine.<sup>3</sup>

Petitioner has previously filed a motion to vacate under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 in this Court regarding the same conviction.<sup>4</sup> The first filed motion to vacate was denied as untimely.<sup>5</sup> 28 U.S.C. § 2255 requires that a second or successive motion be certified as provided in section 2244. 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b)(3) directs a petitioner filing a "second and successive" motion or petition to obtain authorization from the appropriate Court of Appeals before filing the motion or petition in District Court.

The instant Motion is another attempt to collaterally attack Petitioner's conviction, and Petitioner's claims are clearly successive. As Petitioner has not yet received permission from the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Petition, though styled as a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus, is, in substance, a Motion Under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 to Vacate, Set aside, or Correct Sentence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> R. Doc. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> R. Doc. 1; see U.S.A. v. Patricia Fajardo-Guevara, Criminal Action No. 10-151 (M.D. La.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See U.S.A. v. Patricia Fajardo-Guevara, Criminal Action No. 10-151 (M.D. La. Nov. 7, 2016).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> U.S.A. v. Patricia Fajardo-Guevara, Criminal Action No. 10-151 (M.D. La, Noy. 14, 2017).

Court of Appeals to file this successive petition in the District Court as required by statute, this

Court lacks jurisdiction to consider her claims. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the Petition<sup>6</sup> be deemed successive, and that it be DISMISSED for

lack of jurisdiction because Petitioner did not obtain permission from the United States Court of

Appeals for the Fifth Circuit prior to filing.

Signed in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on July 23, 2019.

JUDGE JOHN W. deGRAVELLES

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<sup>6</sup> R. Doc. 1.