

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**  
**MONROE DIVISION**

<b>DALLAS C. TAYLOR</b>	*	<b>CIVIL ACTION NO. 11-2036</b>
		<b>SEC. P</b>
<b>VERSUS</b>	*	<b>JUDGE ROBERT G. JAMES</b>
<b>BURL CAIN, WARDEN</b>	*	<b>MAG. JUDGE KAREN L. HAYES</b>

**ORDER**

Before the undersigned Magistrate Judge, on reference from the District Court, is Petitioner Dallas C. Taylor's Motion to Strike Respondent's Answer and Memorandum of Law. [doc. # 17] pursuant to Local Rule 7.8. Movant is a prisoner at the Louisiana State Penitentiary in Angola, Louisiana, and has filed a Petition for Writ of *Habeas Corpus* under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. [doc. # 1].

Local Rule 7.8 states, in pertinent part, "no brief shall exceed 25 pages in length, **exclusive of pages containing a table of authorities or table of contents . . . [.]**" L.R. 7.8 (emphasis added). Respondent's corrected Answer and Memorandum of Law [doc. # 14] is in total a 27 page document; however, of those 27 pages, page 1 is a cover caption sheet, page 2 is the "Index[.]" and page 3 is the "Authorities." Therefore, in compliance with Local Rule 7.8, Respondent's brief does not exceed "25 pages in length." L.R. 7.8.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that Petitioner Dallas C. Taylor's Motion to Strike Respondent's Answer and Memorandum of Law [doc. # 17] is **DENIED**.

**THUS DONE AND SIGNED** at Monroe, Louisiana, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 2012.

  
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KAREN L. HAYES  
U. S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE