UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA SHREVEPORT DIVISION

GARY A. BAILEY

CIVIL ACTION NO. 15-cv-0439 JUDGE WALTER MAGISTRATE JUDGE HORNSBY

BURL CAIN, ET AL

VERSUS

JUDGMENT

For the reasons assigned in the Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge previously filed herein [Doc. #43], and having thoroughly reviewed the record, including the appeal of the magistrate judge decision [Doc. #49] to the extent it may be construed as written objections to the instant report, and concurring with the findings of the Magistrate Judge under the applicable law;

IT IS ORDERED that Petitioner's petition for writ of habeas corpus is DENIED.

Rule 11 of the Rules Governing Section 2254 Proceedings for the U.S. District Courts requires the district court to issue or deny a certificate of appealability when it enters a final order adverse to the applicant. The court, after considering the record in this case and the standard set forth in 28 U.S.C. Section 2253, **DENIES** a certificate of appealability because the applicant has not made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right.

To the extent Petitioner further challenges the separate order of the Magistrate Judge [Doc. #44] denying his motion to compel an evidentiary hearing, **IT IS FURTHER** **ORDERED** that the decision of the Magistrate Judge is **AFFIRMED**; all requests for relief therefrom [Doc. #49] are hereby **DENIED**.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Shreveport, Louisiana, this the 26th day of March, 2018.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT