

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

JAMES ALLEN WILFORD,

Petitioner,

File No. 1:13-cv-808

v.

HON. GORDON J. QUIST

WILLIE SMITH,

Respondent.

ORDER

This is an action for habeas corpus relief under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. On July 5, 2017, Magistrate Judge Phillip J. Green issued a Report and Recommendation (“R&R”) recommending that the Court deny the petition for lack of merit, deny Petitioner’s motion to stay the proceedings, and deny a certificate of appealability. No objection has been filed and the deadline for doing so has expired. The Court has reviewed the R&R and concludes that it makes a sound recommendation. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that the R&R (ECF No. 45) is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED** as the opinion of the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner’s application for habeas corpus relief (ECF No. 37) and motion to stay the proceedings (ECF No. 43) are **DENIED**.

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

A judgment will enter consistent with this order.

Dated: August 2, 2017

/s/ Gordon J. Quist
GORDON J. QUIST
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE