

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI  
EASTERN DIVISION**

**BRUCE LAWRENCE,**

**PETITIONER**

**V.**

**NO. 1:08CV034-M-D**

**MARGARET BINGHAM, et al.,**

**RESPONDENTS**

**ORDER OVERRULING OBJECTIONS and ADOPTING REPORT AND  
RECOMMENDATION**

Petitioner, an inmate proceeding *pro se*, files this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. On June 30, 2008, Magistrate Judge Jerry A. Davis recommended that this matter be dismissed with prejudice finding that Petitioner's claims are untimely. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 2244(d). On July 15, 2008, Petitioner filed Objections to the Report and Recommendation.

The court finds that Petitioner's arguments are not well-taken and that the objections should be overruled for the reasons stated in the Report and Recommendation, which the court approves and adopts as its opinion.

THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that

1) Petitioner's objections to the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge are OVERRULED;

2) the Report and Recommendation is APPROVED and ADOPTED as the opinion of this court;

3) the claims are DISMISSED with prejudice; and

4) this matter is CLOSED.

SO ORDERED, this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.

/s/ MICHAEL P. MILLS  
**CHIEF JUDGE**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI**