

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION**

JOSEPH HARDEN,	)	
	)	
Petitioner,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Case No. 4:14-CV-383 NAB
	)	
MICHAEL BOWERSOX,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**MEMORANDUM AND ORDER**

This closed matter is before the court on Petitioner Joseph Harden’s Motion for Certificate of Appealability [Doc. 34.], Pro Se Motion for Issuance of Certificate of Probable Cause [Doc. 35.], and Motions for Leave to Appeal in Forma Pauperis [Docs. 36, 37.].

The Court will grant Petitioner’s motions for leave to proceed in forma pauperis on appeal. [Docs. 36, 37.] The Court has previously stated that it will not issue a certificate of appealability on Petitioner’s convictions for first degree murder and the related armed criminal action charge for the reasons stated in the Memorandum and Order of April 12, 2017. [Doc. 15.] Therefore, Petitioner’s Motion for Certificate of Appealability and Motion for Issuance of Certificate of Probable Cause on his cross-appeal will be denied.

Accordingly,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Petitioner’s Motion for Certificate of Appealability and Pro Se Motion for Issuance of Certificate of Probable Cause [Docs. 34, 35.] are **DENIED**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Petitioner's Motions for Leave to Proceed In Forma Pauperis on Appeal are **GRANTED**. [Docs. 36, 37.]

Dated this 20th day of September, 2017.

/s/ Nannette A. Baker  
NANNETTE A. BAKER  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE