

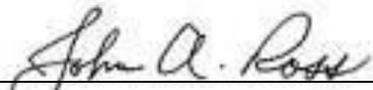


stage of the litigation, it appears that the filings of the Parties and the state court record contain sufficient facts to make an informed decision on the merits of petitioner's claims.

Accordingly,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Petitioner's Motion for Evidentiary Hearing (Doc. 12) is **DENIED without prejudice.**

Dated this 1st day of February, 2016.

  
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**JOHN A. ROSS**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**