

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
WESTERN DIVISION AT CINCINNATI**

JOHN WESLEY SLAGLE,

Petitioner,

-vs-

MICHELE MILLER, Warden,  
Belmont Correctional Institution,

Respondent.

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Case No. 1:12-cv-839

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Chief Judge Susan J. Dlott  
Magistrate Judge Michael R. Merz

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**TRANSFER ORDER**

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With the consent of both of them, the reference in this matter is transferred from the Honorable Stephanie K. Bowman to the Honorable Michael R. Merz. The transfer is in the interest of judicial economy as Judge Merz has been assigned to the habeas corpus case arising from Petitioner’s conviction in the Montgomery County Common Pleas Court. The venue of the case at Cincinnati and the assignment to Chief Judge Dlott remain unaltered.

October 31, 2012.

s/ *Michael R. Merz*  
United States Magistrate Judge