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

MICHAEL JOHNSON, : Case No. 1:17-cv-758

Petitioner, :

- vs - : District Judge Timothy S. Black

Magistrate Judge Michael R. Merz

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WARDEN, Chillicothe Correctional

Institution,

Respondent. :

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Court has reviewed the Report and Recommendations of United States Magistrate Judge Michael R. Merz (ECF No. 19), to whom this case was referred pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), and noting that no objections have been filed thereto and that the time for filing such objections under Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b) has expired, and for good cause shown upon the Court's de novo review, hereby ADOPTS said Report and Recommendations.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that the Petition be DISMISSED with prejudice.

Petitioner is DENIED a certificate of appealability and the Court hereby certifies to the United

States Court of Appeals that an appeal would be objectively frivolous and therefore should not be permitted to proceed in forma pauperis.

March // , 2019.

United States District Judge