



4. A certificate of appealability will not issue because reasonable jurists would not debate the propriety of this Court's procedural rulings with respect to petitioner's claims. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2); *Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000).

/s/ Gerald Austin McHugh  
United States District Judge