

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

**SCOTT D. OLIVER**

**v.**

**WARDEN CYNTHIA LINK, et al.**

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**C.A. NO. 16-920**

**ORDER**

**AND NOW**, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021, upon careful *de novo* consideration of the Petitioner's Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment and the well-reasoned Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Timothy R. Rice, and Petitioner's Objections to the Report and Recommendation, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. Petitioner's objections [Doc. 27] are **OVERRULED**.
2. The Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Timothy R. Rice [Doc. 22] is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**.
3. The Motion to Alter or Amend Judgment [Doc. 20] is **DENIED**.
4. The petitioner having failed to demonstrate that a reasonable jurist could conclude that the court is incorrect in denying the motion, there is no ground for the Court to issue a certificate of appealability.

**BY THE COURT:**

**/s/ Jeffrey L. Schmehl  
JEFFREY L. SCHMEHL, J.**