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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

| Glenn Ford,              | ) C/A No.: 1:16-1534-RMG-SVH |
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| Petitioner,              | )<br>)                       |
| vs.                      | ORDER                        |
| Warden of FCI-Edgefield, | )                            |
| Respondent.              | )<br>)                       |
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Petitioner, proceeding pro se, brought this action requesting a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241. Respondent filed a motion to dismiss, or in the alternative, for summary judgment on July 5, 2016. [ECF No. 10]. As Petitioner is proceeding pro se, the court entered an order pursuant to Roseboro v. Garrison, 528 F.2d 309 (4th Cir. 1975), advising him of the importance of a motion and of the need for him to file an adequate response by August 8, 2016. [ECF No. 11]. Petitioner was specifically advised that if he failed to respond adequately, Respondent's motion may be granted, thereby ending this case. Notwithstanding the specific warning and instructions set forth in the court's Roseboro order, Petitioner failed to respond to the motion.

On August 11, 2016, the court ordered Petitioner to advise by August 25, 2016, whether he wished to continue with the case. [ECF No. 13]. Petitioner filed no response. On August 26, 2016, the undersigned issued a report and recommendation recommending the petition be dismissed for failure to prosecute. [ECF No. 15]. On September 19, 2016, Petitioner filed a motion to reconsider, which the court characterized as objections to the

report. [ECF No. 18]. In his objections, Petitioner claimed that he never received any

mail from the court other than the undersigned's report. Id. at 2. On September 22, 2016,

the Honorable Richard M. Gergel, United States District Judge, declined to adopt the

report, recommitted this matter to the undersigned, and ordered Plaintiff to file a response

to Respondent's motion by October 26, 2016. [ECF No. 19].

Petitioner has failed to file a response to Respondent's motion. As such, it appears

to the court that he does not oppose the motion and wishes to abandon this action. Based

on the foregoing, the undersigned orders Petitioner to advise the court as to whether he

wishes to continue with this case and to file a response to Respondent's motion to

dismiss, or in the alternative, for summary judgment by December 5, 2016. Petitioner is

further advised that if he fails to respond, this action will be recommended for dismissal

with prejudice for failure to prosecute. See Davis v. Williams, 588 F.2d 69, 70 (4th Cir.

1978); Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

November 21, 2016

Columbia, South Carolina

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United States Magistrate Judge

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