IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

RHEASHAD LAMAR LOTT,)
ID #1596571,)
Petitioner,)
VS.) No. 3:13-CV-2699-M
)
LORIE DAVIS, Director,)
Texas Department of Criminal)
Justice, Correctional Institutions Division,)
Respondent.)

ORDER ACCEPTING FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

After reviewing all relevant matters of record in this case, including the Findings,

Conclusions, and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge for plain error, the

Court is of the opinion that the Findings and Conclusions of the Magistrate Judge are correct and they are accepted as the Findings and Conclusions of the Court.

For the reasons stated in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge, the petition for habeas corpus (docs. 46, 47) is successive and is hereby **TRANSFERRED** to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit pursuant to *Henderson v. Haro*, 282 F.3d 862, 864 (5th Cir. 2002), and *In re Epps*, 127 F.3d 364, 365 (5th Cir. 1997).¹

The Clerk of the Court is **DIRECTED** to (1) terminate the post-judgment filings (docs. 46, 47) in this habeas case; (2) open a new habeas case for administrative purposes only; (3) docket the post-judgment filings (docs. 46, 47) as a § 2254 motion filed on March 28, 2018, in that new case; (4) directly assign the new case to the same District Judge and Magistrate Judge as

¹ A certificate of appealability (COA) is not required to appeal an order transferring a successive habeas petition. *See In re Garrett*, 633 F. App'x 260, 261 (5th Cir. 2016); *United States v. Fulton*, 780 F.3d 683 (5th Cir. 2015).

in this case; (5) file a copy of the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge and the order accepting those Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendation, and the judgment in that new case; and (6) and without further judicial action, immediately **TRANSFER** the newly opened § 2254 action to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

ARBARA M. G. LYNN

SIGNED this 20th day of April, 2018.

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