

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

DONALD GENE BLANTON,)
ID # 1307891,)
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Petitioner,)
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VS.)
)
LORIE DAVIS, Director, Texas)
Department of Criminal Justice,)
Correctional Institutions Division,)
)
Respondent.)

CIVIL ACTION NO.
3:17-CV-1453-G (BH)

**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 and any objections thereto, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), 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 is successive and will

be **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), by separate judgment.*

SO ORDERED.

June 23, 2017.



A. JOE FISH
Senior United States District Judge

* 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).