United States District Court Southern District of Texas

ENTERED

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

June 05, 2017 David J. Bradley, Clerk

RODERICK DEWAYNE ANDERSON,	§
	§
Petitioner/Defendant,	§
	§ CIVIL ACTION NO. H-17-1264
v.	§ (Criminal No. H-13-575-02)
	§
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	§
	§
Respondent/Plaintiff.	§

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

On July 10, 2015, defendant, Roderick Dewayne Anderson, filed a Motion Under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct Sentence By a Person in Federal Custody ("§ 2255 Motion") (Civil Action No. H-15-1985) (Docket Entry No. 191).¹ On February 11, 2016, the court entered a Memorandum Opinion and Order (Docket Entry No. 231) dismissing the § 2255 Motion and entered a Final Judgment (Docket Entry No. 232) dismissing Civil Action No. H-15-1985.

On April 24, 2017, Anderson filed a second Motion Under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct Sentence By a Person in Federal Custody (Docket Entry No. 300). The United States has filed a Motion to Dismiss § 2255 Motion (Docket Entry No. 308).

28 U.S.C. § 2255(h) states:

A second or successive motion must be certified as provided in section 2244 by a panel of the appropriate court of appeals to contain—

¹All docket entry references are to Criminal No. H-13-575.

- (1) newly discovered evidence that, if proven and viewed in light of the evidence as a whole, would be sufficient to establish by clear and convincing evidence that no reasonable factfinder would have found the movant guilty of the offense; or
- (2) a new rule of constitutional law, made retroactive to cases on collateral review by the Supreme Court, that was previously unavailable.

This provision and 28 U.S.C. § 2244(b)(3)(A) act as a jurisdictional bar to a district court's consideration of a successive habeas petition until the court of appeals has authorized the district court to consider it. Because Anderson's second § 2255 motion is successive and Anderson has not obtained authorization from the United States Court of Appeals for this court to consider it, the government's Motion to Dismiss § 2255 Motion (Docket Entry No. 308) is GRANTED, and Anderson's Motion Under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct Sentence By a Person in Federal Custody (Docket Entry No. 300) is DISMISSED AS SUCCESSIVE.

The Clerk of Court is ORDERED to provide a copy of this Memorandum Opinion and Order to Roderick Dewayne Anderson and to the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Texas, and to file a copy of this Memorandum Opinion and Order in the corresponding civil action.

SIGNED at Houston, Texas, on this the 5th day of June, 2017.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE